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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I hereby announce myself to the people of the *Fourth Judicial Circuit* as a candidate for re-election to the office of Circuit Judge, and kindly ask my friends of all parties for an earnest and cordial support, and promise in return if elected to give a faithful, impartial and non-partisan administration of the office, as I have sincerely tried to do throughout my term, just closing. JAMES F. HUGHES.

To the Voters of the Fourth Judicial Circuit:
I am a candidate before all the people of this circuit for re-election to the office of Circuit Judge at the election to be held on the first day of June. I appeal directly to the people, as I have always done before. My conduct on the bench in the past is my pledge for the future. I am profoundly grateful to the people for their support in the past, and again ask them for cordial support at the polls. C. B. SMITH.

LOCAL NEWS.

TAKE lunch at W. A. Combs' restaurant. Best Coffee in the city.

IF the Barnum show visits Decatur this year it will be about September 17th.

DECATUR is being pretty thoroughly canvassed by the candidates for circuit judge.

THE Mt. Zion township Sunday school convention has been changed from May 24th until June 21st.

A SUNDAY school convention will be held at New Hope church in Milam township on Sunday, May 17th.

MUSICAL instruments in endless variety at C. B. Prescott's music store on North Water street. See the superb Haines Upright pianos. They are beauties.

MARRIAGE licenses were issued to-day to James M. Rammel and Miss Ruth Knott, both of Maroa; and to Edward A. Hanes, of Forsyth, and Miss Mary Keister, of Emery.

IN June next the ladies of the Eastern Star will entertain the members of the Cerro Gordo lodge. The banquet will be served at the Masonic Temple at 6 o'clock a very sensible hour.

THE Monticello Electric Light Supply Company has been organized. The following are the directors. W. E. Lodge, C. A. Tatman, J. E. Andrew, W. A. Smith, W. H. Kratz and William Noecker.

THE great May Festival and the National meeting of the General Board of the Missionary Association of the United Brethren church will be held in Decatur on the same dates, May 20, 21 and 22.

TODAY Mr. James Lichtenberger, of Oreana, was appointed administrator of the estate of Samuel J. Boneham, jr., who was killed by lightning on April 30. The bond is $2,400, with A. L. Petzer and Richard Kirby as sureties.

LAST evening at 7.30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Keister, two miles west of Emery, Arthur Hanes, son of Jacob Hanes, and Miss Mary Keister, were united in marriage by Rev. W. B. Allen.

THE Widow Campbell's farm house, about one mile south of Mowequa, caught fire yesterday and was burned to the ground. Part of the goods was saved. It is supposed to have caught fire from a flue. The loss is about $1000. Insurance $400.

IN the circuit court a suit for $5,000 damages against the Wabash Railway Company, has been brought by the relatives of Harry Aldridge, who was recently killed in the Wabash yards. It is alleged that a car out of repair caused the fatal accident, while young Aldridge was engaged in making a coupling.

ROBERT ROBERSON, who died south of Bloomington Sunday, aged 81, was the first man to get a marriage license in McLean county. He had lived there since 1826, and in 1831 made his first trip to Chicago. William Clybourn was then the only American living there. Mr. Rattledge sold corn to the Beaubiens at $1.50 per bushel.

PROF. M. J. SCUFFLE, formerly a well-known educator of Douglas county, was brought to Tuscola from Kansas and lodged in jail on Monday. He was arrested several months ago for stealing books from public and private libraries there, but giving bond he was released. He left his bondsmen in the lurch, and they employed officers to run him down.

Death at the Hospital.

Mrs. Angelina Duer died last evening at 7 o'clock at St. Mary's Hospital, of urine poisoning, aged 57 years. The deceased leaves a husband, who is a resident of Youngstown, Ohio, and three daughters, Mrs. Nancy Phillis, of Youngstown, Ohio; Mrs. Josie Archer and Mrs. Samuel Duer, of Denver, Colo. The deceased was born at Louisville, Ky., July 28, 1834. The family moved to Decatur in 1862, where Mrs. Duer made her home until the time of her death.

FARMERS, do not make purchase of your corn planters until you see the Manzer, which is the simplest and most perfect planter ever placed on the market. For sale by the Spencer & Lehman Co. April

DEATH OF AN OLD RESIDENT.

Philip H. Miller, Sr., a Victim of Paralysis.

Saturday night at 10 o'clock Philip H. Miller, Sr., the well known contracting plasterer, died of paralysis at the family residence, No. 641 West Main street, aged 68 years, leaving a widow and one son. In June, 1889, Mr. Miller was first stricken, the effect being in the nature of a sunstroke, the second time the right side was affected and a week ago came the third stroke which affected his speech and rendered him helpless.

Philip H. Miller, Sr., was born near Harrisburg, Pa., in 1823. He removed to Kentucky when a young man and followed his occupation as a plasterer in Lexington, Georgetown and Versailles. Ellen Reese, of Lexington, was the first wife of the deceased. She lived but four months after the wedding day, dying of consumption December 24, 1844. Mr. Miller married Mary M. Wood at Georgetown, and to the couple three children were born. Only one survives, Philip H. Miller, Jr. The deceased came to Decatur in the month of August, 1855.

In his lifetime Mr. Miller was one of the most energetic contractors in Decatur. He has done work in many of the principal buildings and residences in the city. He was a member of the Baptist church, and was a Mason and an Odd Fellow. He was an honorable man and a good citizen. During his illness Mrs. A. D. Johnson, of Lexington, Ky., and B. G. Wood, of Nashville Tenn., sister and brother of Mrs. Miller, aided in ministering to his comfort.

WELCOME TO HARRISON.

Decatur's Arrangements to Receive the President and Party

From Wednesday's Daily.

Arrangements by the Committee appointed to receive President Harrison on Thursday a. m., 14th inst., have been completed and are as follows:

The train is due here from Springfield at 11:20.

The President's car will stop on the east side of the depot building.

In conjunction with Mayor Chambers, Hon S. S. Jack, Hon. W. O. Johns, Dr. John T. Hubbard and Dr. Wm. A. Barnes are appointed a Committee on Reception.

Mr. W. H. Bramble is appointed to erect and decorate a platform on the south side of the I. D. & S. track.

B. O. McReynolds, Otto E. Curtis and Orville Gorin are appointed a Finance Committee to collect sufficient funds for band platform, etc.

M. F. Kanan, Post Commander G. A. R., will have charge of the Post, Sons of Veterans and all civic and military organizations. An invitation is extended to all societies or organizations to participate and to report to Commander M. F. Kanan at the corner of S. Water and Wood streets at 10:15 sharp.

An invitation is extended to all teachers, school children and citizens to be at the depot.

The platform for the President will front a level, grass covered plot, with sufficient room for all to see and hear and a safe place for school children and others.

By order of Committe.
F. M. YOUNG, Chairman.
F. L. HAYS, Secretary.

A. M. Reeves Retires.

W. T. Wells and C. M. Hurst have purchased of A. M. Reeves his half interest in the business and factory of the United States Metallic Mat Company. William Traver and S. R. Gher own the other half interest. The factory, which is located in the old Niagara Pump Company's building on East Mason street, will be enlarged and improved in many ways. The company will make wire mats, wire baskets, matting and other wire goods and they employ from eight to sixteen people.

Retirement of C. P. Housum.

On Saturday the firm of H. W. Hill & Co., one of the oldest and most successful manufacturing firms in Decatur, was dissolved by mutual consent, C. P. Housum retiring. H. W. Hill will continue the business. For nineteen years H. W. Hill & Co. manufactured and sold hog rings and ringers, the business returning two fortunes to the proprietors. Mr. Housum's retirement was due largely to his poor health, and he will probably go south to live.

Headed for Decatur

The following is the program as far as decided upon for the return trip of President Harrison: After leaving Salt Lake City, then to Leadville, Colorado Springs, Denver, Lincoln, Neb., Omaha, Hannibal, Mo., Springfield, Ill., Decatur, Ill., Indianapolis, Columbus, O., and Pittsburg. The party will arrive in Decatur about 11:10 a. m., May 14th.

DIED.

At 139 South Church street, May 11, of pneumonia, Edgar C. Rich, son of Rev and Mrs. Jesse Rich, aged 6 months and 3 days.

At 543 North Monroe street, of lung fever, at 2 10 a. m., May 13, Mrs. Elizabeth Lockhart, aged 80 years.

Deceased was the widow of John Lockhart, and leaves three daughters and one son. The body will be taken to Palmer, Ill., to-morrow for interment.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THE MT. ZION CONTEST.

The Demurrer Filed by the Defense Overruled by Judge Nelson.

From Saturday's Daily

The Mt. Zion election contest case before Judge Nelson, which was on Thursday laid over until this morning, came up at 9 o'clock. Mr. Buckingham for the opposition made a long argument against the sufficiency of the petition, directing his remarks and authorities to the proposition that it was incumbent on the petitioners to state where the so-called insufficient marks were placed on the ballots; that if they were placed on the ballots before the voters cast them, then no relief could be had, as the voter must use due caution in voting such a ticket as he desires to vote; that consequently to get relief the petitioners must allege that the marks were made after the ticket was voted.

Mr. Buckingham having concluded his argument, the court carefully read the petition and referring to the allegations therein said that it set up that an election was held and that at said election 316 ballots were cast for supervisor as follows: 142 votes were cast for W. B. Hunter; 157 votes were cast for D. C. Davidson, and 17 votes for H. M. Wallace; but that only 137 votes were counted for D. C. Davidson. If this be true, said the judge, and that fact can be proven, then D. C. Davidson and not W. B. Hunter was elected supervisor at that election. If it cannot be so proven, then W. B. Hunter was elected. In the opinion of the court the allegation is sufficient and the demurrer is overruled. When will the defense answer?

Mr. Buckingham said he would file an answer to the petition by next Wednesday and would, as soon as it was possible for him to determine when he could appear, be ready to agree to a time to argue the same. The judge notified the attorneys that it was the desire of the court that this matter be tried this month.

The opinion of the court was given in a very clear and pointed manner, at some length. In it one central point, which should characterize all contests like the one in hand, was made prominent, namely, to waive all doubtful technicalities and arrive as speedily as possible at a conclusion as to whether or not the man whom the people elected was declared so elected.

BUSINESS FAILURE AT ARGENTA.

W. I. Dunbar Pressed to the Wall —Liabilities $10,000.

From Tuesday's Daily

The town of Argenta on the line of the Champaign & Havana railroad, had a big failure yesterday. W. I. Dunbar, the leading general merchant of the place, had to give up because of his inability to meet his obligations. Besides running a store he dealt largely in lumber and grain. His liabilities range from $8,000 to $10,000. It is believed that all claims will be paid in full as the securities are gilt-edged. Those to whom Mr. Dunbar owes the largest amounts are as follows, the figures given being approximate: William Brennan estate, $1,400; Brown & Gerber, $3,000; John Duvall, $750; Mrs. Oliver Stuart, $1,100; Nathan Parr, $500; Nathan Necker, $700; the Knights of Pythias lodge, of which Mr. Dunbar was treasurer, $400. The balance is owed to Decatur, Chicago, Peoria and Quincy wholesale houses.

J. M. Madden, an Argenta hardware man, worth $10,000 to $15,000, is security for about $5,000 of the indebtedness. Others are security for less amounts. Dunbar has a farm of 70 acres and some town property, that will make good the balance of the indebtedness. Mr. Dunbar was liberal in his dealings, and he owes his present embarrassment to that fact. Many bills due him are unpaid.

The Persons Family Trouble.

It has been known for some time that Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Persons, residing on Prairie avenue, near the corner of College street, did not live in peace together, and it was also known that Mrs. Persons had left the place with her seven-year-old son. Saturday the case got into the courts, when the wife Virginia Persons, filed a bill for divorce, alleging repeated cruelty. She also secured a writ of injunction restraining Mr. Persons from disposing of the personal property at auction as he had arranged. The sale was stopped and now the whole affair is tied up at law, until the June term of court. The Mills Bros. represent the plaintiff.

The couple came to Decatur from St. Louis two years ago. They were married in that city. They own about $7,000 worth of property in this city. Mr. Persons travels for a Chicago hardware firm. He will probably continue his business, and very likely he will contest the divorce proceedings in court

Two Deaths.

From Monday's Daily.

Roy, the 11 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rambo, died last evening at 11 o'clock of pneumonia at the home of his parents, 1206 North Clayton street.

Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Sheban, died Sunday, May 10th, at 4:45 p. m., of paralysis, at the residence, 845 East Condit street, aged 2½ years.

A SUDDEN SUMMONS.

Death of Manager John R. Boyer at His Home This Morning.

From Monday's Daily.

John R. Boyer, office manager of the F. B. Tait & Co. manufacturing establishment, was suddenly stricken with paralysis early this morning at his home at 541 North Jackson street, and at 8:50 a. m. he expired, attended by Dr. W. L. Rukenbrod, the family and friends.

This announcement will cause a shock to all friends and acquaintances of the deceased, who knew him in life as a most exemplary citizen. Sunday and even at four o'clock this morning Mr. Boyer was in his usual good health, but the silent messenger came to him suddenly and now he is gone, his place is vacant in his once happy home, and no more will he be seen among men and in the business affairs of the city.

Sunday Mr. Boyer was out riding with his family. He attended services in the evening at Stapp's Chapel, of which church he was a member, and retired at the usual hour. It has been Mr. Boyer's habit for many years to arise at 4 o'clock every morning, make the fire in the kitchen stove and take a bath. He arose this morning at the usual hour. About 6 o'clock Frank Mills called at the house to see F. B. Tait, who has a room there. Mr. Mills had knocked at the door. Mrs. Boyer went down and opened to admit the caller, who ascended the stairs to have a talk with Mr. Tait about a business matter. Mrs. Boyer then passed through the hall to the dining room, where she was shocked beyond expression to find her devoted husband lying upon the floor on his side in a speechless condition. Mr. Boyer was able to move his arms and hands but he could not speak. The alarm was given and the family assembled. Dr. Rukenbrod was hastily summoned as was also Dr. W. B. Harrison. The stricken man was beyond the power of the physicians to aid him and he gradually became weaker and passed away. Before death came Mr. Boyer indicated by mutterings and signs that he had been taken sick and had sat down in a chair. As he reached for a spittoon he fell over on the floor and was unable to arise or arouse the family, although he attempted to do so. The dying man reached for the hand of his sobbing wife and held it as he passed over the dark river.

Mr. Boyer was born in Berks county, Pa., Jan. 6, 1844, and was in the 48th year of his age. He came to Decatur in 1876, from Berrien Springs, Mich., where he married his widow, whose maiden name was Mary E. Essick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Essick, now living at Berrien Springs. Upon his arrival in Decatur Mr. Boyer was associated with W. B. Corman in the sewing machine business, afterward entering the employ of Rufus C. Crocker, then a hardware merchant, as a book-keeper. He was with Chambers, Bering & Quinlan three years. In 1882 he entered the office of F. B. Tait & Co., where he was invaluable as an office manager, a position for which his abilities and good business judgment especially fitted him.

In his family relations Mr. Boyer was a model man, kind, loving, devoted and indulgent. He leaves a widow and three children, Clyde E. Boyer, Miss Grace I. Boyer and Raymond Boyer.

Deceased was a Mason and a public spirited man. He served his country bravely in the late war as a member of Co. A, 209th Pennsylvania Infantry

The father of Mr. Boyer died of paralysis. He died two years after receiving his first stroke.

Commencement Honors.

The High School commencement exercises will be held at the Grand Opera House Friday forenoon, June 12, when a class of 32 will receive hard-earned diploma. Dr. Henry Wade Rogers, president of the Northwestern University, will deliver the address. The High School faculty have chosen Miss Clara Hawkes as the class salutatorian and the class have elected Lon Tuttle to deliver the valedictory. The Alumni reunion and reception will be held in the evening.

In Decatur to Stay.

Attorney Harvey Pasco and his three children have returned to Decatur to reside, and in a few days Mr. Pasco will open an office for the practice of his profession. Two years ago Mr. Pasco went west and has done business at Wichita and Kansas City. He always considered Decatur his home and has not lost his residence. Mr. Pasco says he feels better and stronger than ever and is in Decatur again to begin life anew.

ALL the agents of the Illinois Central are to wear the regulation cap when on duty. The cap is furnished by the company at a cost of $1.85 and is to be paid for by the agents. The arrangement has been made by the company so that the agent at any station can be at once known known by any stranger who may chance to have business with him or to desire information from him.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

MEETING OF SCHOOL BOSSES.

State and County Superintendents in Session in Decatur.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Hon. Henry Raab, superintendent of public instruction, has inaugurated the yearly custom of holding sectional meetings of county superintendents of schools and to-day he opened the series in Decatur at the office of Superintendent Donahey, in the court house. The meeting here will close this evening. Others will be held at East St. Louis May 13; Olney May 14; Galesburg May 19; Chicago May 20; Dixon May 21.

IN DECATUR.

The superintendents present at the meeting in Decatur to-day, with State Superintendent Raab in the chair, were the following:

Adams county—John Jimison, Quincy.
Champaign county—George R. Shawhan, Champaign.
Christian county—Robert W. Orr, Taylorville.
Coles county—Charles T. Feagan, Charleston.
DeWitt county—Nelson B. Hughes, Clinton.
Edgar county—James A. Kerrick, Paris.
Logan county—Samuel M. Guttery, Lincoln.
Macon county—J. N. Donahey, Decatur.
McLean county—John A. Miller, Bloomington.
Morgan county—Harry C. Montgomery, Jacksonville.
Moultrie county—Oscar B. Lowe, Sullivan.
Piatt county—Allen B. Martin, Monticello.
Sangamon county—Noel B. Hannon, Springfield.
Vermilion county—Lin H. Griffith, Danville.
Decatur city superintendent—E. A. Gastman.

TOPICS.

The questions up for discussion were the following:

1. How may the institute be made of the greatest benefit to the schools of the county.
2. The annual report, its importance, and how to avoid errors in preparing it.
3. Examining and licensing teachers.
4. Course of study for country schools.

Incidentally other points came up. The discussions were free and no doubt much benefit was derived from the interchange of experience and methods in conducting institutes and schools.

Prof. Kirk, of the State superintendent's office, is in attendance at the conference.

C. M. Parker, of Taylorville, editor of the *School News*, formerly a Macon county teacher. W. L. Pillsbury, of Urbana, Ill., who was assistant for Dr. Edards. S. A. Burgess, of Monticello, ex-county superintendent, are at the meeting

Great May Festival Choruses.

In another column appears the scale of prices for the May Festival at the Grand May 20, 21 and 22. There will be five great concerts, two afternoons and three evenings. Each will be a gem in volume of song and beauty of execution. Think of it; there will be 400 voices in the grand choruses, with a fine orchestra and vocal celebrities from Chicago and St. Louis. Among the choruses to be given during the festival are the following:

"Jubilate" ..... Handel
"O, Father Almighty" ..... Hayden
"Spring Song" ..... Gounod
"Now Tramp O'er Marsh and Fell" ..... Bishop
"Triumphant March" ..... Costa
"Evening Song" ..... Hamptman
"Morning is Breaking" ..... Donizetti
"Forty-Sixth Psalm" ..... Buck
"Spring Songs" ..... Netwick

In the list of solos are the following: "Jewel Song," "Salel Regina," "Saint Agnes," by Mrs. Genevra Johnstone Bishop, soprano, of Chicago; "Comfort Ye," "Thy Magic Song," "Tell Her I Love Her So," by Charles Humphrey, tenor, of St. Louis; "The Vagabond," "The Clang of the Forge," "Love is Forever." George Elsworth Holmes, of Chicago. In addition to these are duets, trios and quartets, with instrumental selections by the orchestra, Miss Emily Hamsher, Miss Nora Radcliff, Leo Heilbrun and others.

ILLINOIS EXCHANGE UNION.

A New Grain Company to be Started in Decatur.

Rooms on the second floor of the Fenton Block are being fitted up for use as offices for a new $50,000 stock company to carry on a wholesale grain buying and commission business. They commence business on Friday morning under the name of the Illinois Exchange Union and with the following officers: President, M. D. Coffeen; vice-president, J. F. Burton; and F. W. Anderson treasurer and manager. Manager Anderson has had years of experience in the grain business and is a careful and close buyer and under his management the success of the union is a foregone conclusion.

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Do not make a purchase of any windmill until after you examine the Bird, at the Spencer & Lehman Co. feb26wtf

HOW DO THEY KNOW?

Answer of W. B. Hunter, the Mt Zion Claimant.

From Wednesday's Daily.

In the county court to-day W. B. Hunter, the Democratic claimant from Mt. Zion for the office of supervisor, by his attorneys, Buckingham & Schroll, filed his answer to the petition filed for a full investigation of the alleged miscount and crookedness April 7 at the Mt. Zion election.

The defendant in his answer admits that the election was held, that 318 votes were cast for supervisor, but denies that D. C. Davidson, the contestant, received 157 votes. He insists that the defendant (Hunter himself) received 142 votes, Davidson only 137, and Wallace 17.

HUNTER'S DENIALS.

Defendant denies that said judges and clerks at the time of counting said votes cast at said election threw aside and rejected and refused to count for the said Davidson 20 ballots which had been cast for him by different electors at said election, upon the pretext that the name of said Davidson had a slight check or mark upon it, but defendant avers that on each of said 20 ballots the name of said Davidson had a mark good and sufficient to show the intention of the elector casting such ballot not to vote for said Davidson, said mark being drawn through the name of said Davidson to show such intention in the manner recognized by law; and defendant further avers that said judges and clerks of election counted said 20 ballots legally, according to the expression of the electors as shown by the ballots.

Defendant denies that said check or mark was placed on each or any of said 20 ballots without the knowledge and consent and in fraud of the electors who voted such ballots; that said checks or marks were not intended by said electors voting said ballots or any of them as an erasure or marking out of the name of D. C. Davidson, and that each and all of said ballots were cast by the said electors with an intent and belief that the same were being cast and would be counted for the said Davidson.

Defendant denies that said 20 ballots or any of them should have been counted for said Davidson, and that said Davidson was duly and lawfully elected to said office of supervisor at said election and that he is lawfully entitled to a certificate in pursuance of law.

Defendant further answering denies that the complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in his petition, and prays the same advantage of this answer as if he had pleaded or demurred to the said petition, and prays to be dismissed with his reasonable costs.

The arguments of counsel on the answer will be heard at the convenience of the court and attorneys.

The reader will marvel at some of the statements made in Hunter's answer. How he happens to know the intent and purpose of the electors is a matter that will have to be explained in court. Mr. Hunter may be able to explain, but we doubt it.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Neil, 142 North Illinois street, May 12, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stoddard, on North Main street, May 11, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. James Wikoff, on West Wood street, May 12, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Kemper, two miles north of Decatur, on Monday, May 11, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Pence, of 1465 East William street, on Monday, May 11, a daughter.

George Boyer and family have moved to Decatur from Legonier, Ind., and have rented property at the corner of Morgan and Eldorado streets.

George E. Woolington, the North Main street grocer, has gone to Hot Springs, Ark., for the benefit of his health. He is suffering from heart trouble.

Governor and Mrs. J. W. Fifer have been extended an invitation by the Woman's Club House Stock Company to attend the May Festival. If they accept they will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Haworth.

Hon. F. W. Bookwalter, of Danville, Republican nominee for circuit judge, paid the REPUBLICAN office a call to-day, accompanied by Attorney A. H. Mills. Mr. Bookwalter arrived in the city last evening, and has met hundreds of voters while here.

Hon James W. Graham, of Clark county, the only Democratic nominee for circuit judge, is in the city under the wing of John P. Dresnan, chairman of the county central committee. Mr. Graham is a very pleasant gentleman, and is here to meet the Democratic voters.

Hon. F. M. Wright, of Champaign county, one of the three Republican nominees for circuit judge, paid the REPUBLICAN office a call to-day, accompanied by Ex Senator Johns. Mr. Wright is meeting with a cordial reception by all voters of the city who have met him. He is a genial gentleman, a fine lawyer, and will make a firstclass judge. Mr. Wright Mr. Vail and Mr. Bookwalter will be elected.

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46-inch All Wool French Serges at 75c and 85c a yard.
36-inch Graduating Evening Dress Goods at 25c and 35c a yard.
90 dozen Swiss Ribbed Vests at 6c.
90 " " " " at 12½c, same as sold at 15c.
90 dozen Ladies' Lisle Thread at 23c, same as sold elsewhere at 25c
40 dozen Balbriggan Vests, long sleeves, at 30c, sold elsewhere at 39c.
40 pieces Outing Cloths at 6c a yard.
30 " " " at 7½c, sold elsewhere at 8½c.
2,000 yards Heavy Brown Muslin at 5c
2,200 yards Bleached Muslin at 6½c.
3,000 yards Cheviot Shirting at 1½c a yard
1 case Turkey Red Table Damask, in Remnants, very cheap
200 pairs Lace Curtains, 50c, 70c, 85c, and up to $9 00, at Importer's Prices
Ladies' Pure Silk Mitts at 20c, same as sold elsewhere at 25c.
" " Heavy Silk Mitts at 25c, same as sold elsewhere at 35c.
2,000 yards Colored Brilliantines at 35c a yard, sold elsewhere at 65c a yard.
2,000 yards Challies at 5c a yard, same as sold elsewhere at 8½c a yard.

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Shifty Pleading.

The Chicago *Tribune* is still diligently engaged in its mad schemes to punish leading Republicans who were instrumental in passing the McKinley bill against the wishes and threats of that paper

To make its defeat appear respectable it assumes, contrary to the facts in the case, that Secretary Blaine was opposed to the protective features of the McKinley bill, and sought to modify it in the interest of the party by a scheme of reciprocity That the *Tribune* is meeting with annoying trouble, to keep up a reasonable appearing argument, is self-evident in the arguments it assumes.

Its latest effort on the line of this policy is an effort to establish, if possible, in the minds of some of its readers, that Secretary Blaine convinced the President that his scheme of reciprocity was so important as to call from the President a letter to Congress, in June, 1890, directing its attention to the importance of keeping sugar on the dutiable list for retaliatory purposes in securing reciprocity with the *Latin American states*. After making this statement it jumps upon the lower house of Congress as follows

But the House, under the leadership of the McKinley Ways and Means Committee gave no attention to Blaine's scheme thus publicly recommended by the President, but a month or six weeks later passed its bill, with reciprocity utterly ignored and excluded.

This is but another example of that journal's questionable methods in attempting to discredit other Republican leaders The President sent the communication to which the *Tribune* refers to Congress June 19, 1890, and the fact that instead of passing the McKinley bill "a month or six weeks later," as the *Tribune* states, the House passed that bill May 21, 1890, one month before the President wrote his letter, shows into what extremes the *Tribune* is forced to make a case. It is useless to wage such a nonsensical war. It makes Blaine no more friends, and makes other Republican leaders, who have exercised their best judgment and given the country reciprocity under the Aldrich amendment scheme, no fewer friends.

The Republican voters of the country are satisfied with the statesmanship of their leaders. They are not disposed to go into the business of tearing down their own party, and, better than all, no amount of unfair and spiteful ranting on the part of any over-zealous friend of some one party leader can blind their eyes to the fact that had it not been for the courage, patriotism and sagacity of such men as Tom Reed and Major McKinley, in amending and enforcing the rules of the House so that the majority could legislate, neither the Aldrich amendment to the McKinley bill, nor the Blaine scheme, nor the bill itself, would ever have become a law

The present temper of the Republicans of the country argues conclusively that if the *Tribune* should succeed in making Mr. Blaine a candidate for the Presidency on an anti McKinley bill, or tariff for revenue only, platform, Mr. Blaine would have a much harder time and be no more successful commanding the Republican voters than the *Tribune* had in commanding the Republican voters in Congress on that issue. But there is no danger of Mr. Blaine ever being other than as pronounced a protectionist as either Major McKinley or President Harrison, all of which argues the course of the *Tribune* on the matter in hand does that otherwise magnificent journal great injustice

A Wonder Worker.

Mr. Frank Huffman, a young man of Burlington, Ohio, states that he had been under the care of two prominent physicians, and used their treatment until he was able to get around. They pronounced his case Consumption and incurable. He was persuaded to try Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, at that time was not able to walk across the street without resting. He found, before he had used a half of a dollar bottle, that he was much better; he continued to use it and is to-day enjoying good health. If you have any Throat Lung or Chest trouble try it. We guarantee satisfaction. Trial bottle free at King & Wood's Drug store. 5m

School Report.

I submit the following report of Excelsior school for the first month of the Spring term, commencing April 6, and ending May 5 the number of pupils enrolled is 40; average daily attendance is 32. The following are names of pupils who have not been absent or tardy Lyman Kizer, Maud Kizer, Rosa Morrison, Susie Morrison, Frank Barnett, Ida Barnett, John Clark, Elsie Barnett, Lillie Clark, May Wheeler and Erve Barnett.

LULU WHEELER, Teacher.

CHICAGO *Evening Journal*, May 8th 'The dispute as to the real author of reciprocity is very idle. We had reciprocity treaties nearly fifty years ago. As to the present application of the policy the Decatur REPUBLICAN says 'The Republican party is entitled to full credit for whatever benefits the country may receive from its application under the McKinley law' That is right. Give the whole Republican party credit for it without attempting to monopolize it as the special capital of candidates."

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The New Illinois Law About the Payment of Employes.

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SEC 2 Any corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, and not less than ten dollars for each violation, to be paid to the people of the state, and which may be recovered in a civil action Provided an action for such violation is commenced within thirty days from date thereof any person may bring action in the name of the people of the state as plaintiff, against any corporation which neglects to comply with the provisions of this act for a period of two weeks, after having been notified in writing by such persons that such action will be brought. On the trial of such action such corporation shall not be allowed to set up any defense for a failure to pay weekly any employe engaged in its business the wages earned by such employe to within six days of the day of the date of such payment, other than a valid assignment of such wages, or a valid set off against the same, or the absence of such employe from his regular place of labor at the time of payment of the wages so earned by him, or a breach of contract by such employe or a denial of the employment No assignment of future wages payable weekly under the provisions of this act shall be valid if made to the corporation from whom such wages are to become due, or to any person on behalf of such corporation, or if made or procured to be made to any person for the purpose of relieving such corporation from the obligations to pay weekly under the provisions of this act Nor shall any of said corporations require any agreement from any employe to accept wages at other periods than as provided in Section 1 of this act, as a condition of employment

SEC 3 The penalties herein provided may be recovered in any court having civil jurisdiction by such in the name of the persons bringing the same

A Lady Made Master-in-Chancery

Yesterday Miss Stella M. Callen who, until four years ago was a resident of Bloomington, was appointed by Judge N J. Pillsbury to be master-in chancery of Livingston county The entire bar and court officers there think the appointment a good one. Miss Callen is a Bloomington girl, and was for years a stenographer in the office of Stephenson & Ewing. For four years past she has been court reporter of Livingston county and gave entire satisfaction. The law does not require that the office of master-in chancery shall be filled by an attorney, as much of the business done is the taking of depositions It is quite unprecedented for a lady to be appointed to this office, but it is strictly lawful, and in this case seems to have given entire satisfaction.

To Organize a Cavalry Troop.

Capt W. P. Butler, of Company F, Fourth Regiment Illinois National Guards, of Bloomington, has received an order from Gen. Vance to organize a troop of cavalry consisting of fifty men, and the enrollment of recruits has begun. Most of the members of Company F will apply for admission. Captain Butler hopes to have the troop in readiness to ride to the state encampment at Springfield.

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LAST fall, when the Democratic tidal wave swept over the country, the counties comprising this judicial district gave the following political pluralities Republican—Champaign, 758, Douglas, 237, Piatt, 198, Vermilion, 1168. Democratic—Clark, 463, Coles, 52, Edgar, 239, Macon, 173; Moultrie, 619 This is a net Republican plurality of 795. In 1888 the district gave a Republican plurality of 2902.

BLOOMINGTON *Pantagraph* Rev Sam Small a co laborer with Rev Sam Jones, was elected president of the Methodist university at Ogden, Utah, but after a year's somewhat stormy experience with the board of directors he has resigned The board charge Small with being a successful failure as a subscription raiser and that he has not hesitated to revel in the luxuries of life at the expense of the university's money

A BOGUS lord has been arrested in Maine and sentenced to two years in the state prison for obtaining money under false pretenses. Several mothers who had hopes of marrying daughters to a live lord are now meditating upon the disappointments of life

DURING an epidemic of whooping cough at DeWitt, Iowa, a prominent family there bought a fifty cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for their children It proved so satisfactory that they recommended it to their neighbors, and they in turn to others In less than a week's time, the druggist, Mr. C V Baxter, was having an immense run on it. The remedy is still the main reliance in that vicinity for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough Mr. Baxter says "It sells on its merits." For sale at Neisler's Pharmacy. d&w

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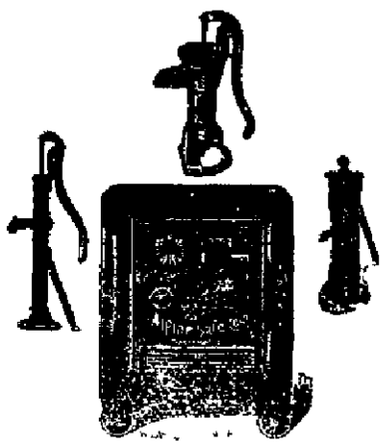

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LOCAL NEWS.

JOSEPH WARD, of this city, has been granted an original pension of $12 per month from July 14, 1890, through M. Shea, pension attorney.

THERE will be a bicycle tournament at Jacksonville June 7 and 8. Decatur and wheelmen in various other cities in Central Illinois will be invited to attend.

THE old executive mansion at Kaskaskia, which was occupied by Shadrach Bond, the first governor of Illinois, will be one of the exhibits at the Columbian fair.

THE next big treat for Decatur will be the great May Festival, May 20 to 23. The splendid music will knock silly all of the glitter and show of a circus. Get ready to select course tickets.

THE following appointments of school teachers at Blue Mound have been made for the next term: J. D. Logan, principal; Miss Bertha Clark, primary; Miss Mollie McCollum, intermediate.

THE County Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the M. E. church of Blue Mound, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 15, 16 and 17. About 50 delegates are expected.

HICKS, the weather prophet, predicts a drouth in June. The farmers are getting just what they want now and are not worrying very much what kind of weather comes this way in June.

THE Illinois State Normal School at Normal is urging an appropriation of $25,000 for an additional building for its training department. All the rooms are over-crowded and another building is greatly needed.

THE Warrensburg *Enterprise* makes the startling statement that the Decatur council has raised the liquor license fee to $1,000 You're wrong. There's been no change. The fee remains at $500, with 41 saloons in full blast.

'SQUIRE E. A. BARNWELL, formerly of Decatur, now of Cerro Gordo, is announced as a candidate for county clerk of Piatt county. The 'Squire is certainly the first in the field. He will have plenty of time to make the canvass, as the election is a long way off.

SUNDAY, May 24, Whitmore township and Mt. Zion township will each hold a Sunday school convention. G. W. Battles and J. R. Gorin are appointed from the city to attend the first named convention, and W. R Scruggs and J. O. Beatty the last named.

CENTRALIA already has 120,000 cases of strawberry boxes on hand and expects to fill them with 2,800,000 quarts of the succulent fruit and then scream for more boxes. The strawberry plants cover 2,000 acres and the strawberries will bring the growers two cents a quart or a total of $60,000.

THE wife of John Crevison, living near Higginsville, Vermilion county, discovered fire in some leaves in the woods near her home, and while trying to put out the fire her clothing caught fire. She was so badly burned that she died soon afterward, leaving a husband and two children.

THE residence of Mr. Luke Vesey, known as "Riverside Villa," at Danville, and formerly known as the hospital for the Wabash railway, was entirely destroyed by fire Thursday, together with all the contents and wearing apparel Total loss $10,000. Poor water service was the cause of such a heavy loss.

THE appointment of Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy, of Decatur, as department secretary for the Illinois Woman's Relief Corps will meet with hearty approval She is a very deserving lady, an earnest and competent worker in the department and will fill the position with credit to herself and the order. She was selected by Mrs. Mary A. Bradley, department president.

Passed Away.

From Thursday's Daily.

Mrs. Minnie May Ragsdale, wife of A. C. Ragsdale, died last night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Johnson, 731 East Prairie street. She was 21 years of age, and was born in Macon county, having lived here all her life. Her little child was buried a few weeks ago.

Dora Litz died at the residence of her parents, three miles northeast of the city, yesterday, of inflammation of the stomach. She was 20 years old. The funeral was held from Brush College schoolhouse this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Death at Mt. Zion.

From Thursday's Daily.

Mrs. Mary Henry, aged 85 years, wife of William Henry, died in Mt. Zion township this morning at the home of Thos. J. Bohrer. The deceased had been in poor health for a number of years. In company with her husband, Mrs. Henry, who was a granddaughter of Henry Price, had visited the west and south for the benefit of her health. The couple had been visiting Mr. and Mrs John A. Henry, parents of the husband Their home is in Sangamon county.

Died of Paralysis.

From Thursday's Daily.

Mrs. Lewis Morris, who was stricken with paralysis on Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Obenoweth, 1111 East Marietta street, died there this morning at 6 o'clock, aged 65 years. The home of the deceased was seven miles southeast of Decatur, in Wheatland township. She was visiting her daughter when suddenly stricken.

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AFTER W. B. HUNTER.

The Mt. Zion Election Contest Case Opened in the County Court.

From Thursday's Daily.

The Mt. Zion election contest case came up to-day before Judge Nelson in the county court. The action grows out of an alleged miscount of the ballots cast for supervisor in Mt. Zion township April 7th. The election board, of which W. B. Hunter, Democrat, was one of the judges, reported that W. B. Hunter had received 142 votes, and D. C. Davidson, Republican candidate for supervisor, had received but 137 votes, the board declaring Hunter elected. The Republicans protested that there had been crookedness in the count, and they made a canvass of the voters of the township. They found 157 persons who made certificates that they had cast their ballots for Davidson, and with this knowledge of smooth work in the count by somebody, Eli Ulery, William Combs, A. C. Traughber, T. J. Bohrer, J. C. Kruse and C. M. Fletcher filed a petition in the county court asking for a full investigation of the election and count of the ballots as to supervisor To this petition W. B. Hunter filed a demurrer.

THE DEFENSE.

In opening the case this forenoon, Attorney Buckingham for Hunter in support of the demurrer, said:

The presumption of law is that public officers do their duty; the presumption is that the twenty tickets having marks but such marks as warranted the board of election in not counting them. If a man votes a ticket with a scratch, the law presumes he intended to vote it that way, and he cannot be heard to prove that he did not intend to vote it. To illustrate: A man in this township once intended to vote a party ticket, but in fact voted a paper not a ticket at all. Could that man come into court and change the result, by proving that he intended to vote a party ticket? The matter of scratching a ticket is generally well understood in this country, and when a ticket is found in the ballot box scratched, the presumption is that the voter intended to scratch it. To conclude: They have had an election, the votes were counted, Hunter was declared elected; but they now come and say the election officers have not counted twenty votes which in reality were cast for Davidson. They do not allege nor do they make out in their petition that fraud has been committed by anybody and unless they do we cannot go behind these returns. There seems to be, however, in that township a good deal of contention. Party lines are closely drawn. These tickets could not have been handed out by a Democrat and voted by mistake, as all Republicans receiving tickets from Democrats would scrutinize them closely to see that no trick was being attempted on them. They must have been handled by a Republican. This makes it appear that those who are contesting this election are doing so to discover who the traitors in the camp are.

Before they can establish a contest they must allege that fraud was committed in placing the alleged marks on the tickets.

Here Mr. Crea asked Mr. Buckingham to cite his authorities, which he proceeded to do, giving two cases wherein it was held that the ballots were the best evidence; another wherein the court held that when a ballot is so imperfect that the intent of the voter could not be determined the testimony of the voter could not be taken as to how he intended to vote. In another case the court held that when a pen or pencil mark has been drawn across a name on a printed ticket, but in which the name is entirely obliterated, it must be regarded as marking off the name unless the contrary is shown. These embrace the authorities quoted which apply particularly on this case.

FOR THE PETITIONERS.

Mr. Crea in reply to Mr. Buckingham said. "There is no need of any acrimonious feeling in this contest, as Mr. Buckingham seems to think. Upon sober though all citizens, regardless of party affiliation, say let justice be done in this most sacred matter.

"The petition says there were 20 ballots which the judges refused to count because they had slight marks over the name of Davidson. Mr. Buckingham says that because the petition does not allege fraud it is faulty. He says it is faulty because it does not allege who put these marks on the tickets and consequently we cannot go behind the returns. Let us see. The statutes say that a man who hands a ticket to another and tells him it is a certain kind of a ticket, when it is not, and that man votes the ticket, the man handing him such a ticket is liable to a severe penalty. In that case the statute goes behind the returns and hunts the criminal. This may have been done in the case of the 20 tickets now in controversy, and if this has been done and those who perpetrated such fraud on the voters are discovered they will be prosecuted and if possible sent to the penitentiary.

"We are not required to allege fraud in the petition in this case.

In scratching a ticket men scratch in earnest. They make a scratch that cannot be mistaken and especially would that be true in Mt. Zion if there is as much bad feeling there as Mr. Buckingham alleges. In this case the petition alleges that these tickets have only a slight check mark and not a scratch. This raises an ambiguity which should be inquired into."

Here Mr. Crea cited authorities which showed that where a ballot has a pencil or pen mark upon it the circumstances as to how it got there may be inquired into. In this case we have ballots bearing slight marks upon the name of Davidson which were not counted for him. Now, are we to suppose the voters who cast these ballots for Davidson have no right to have their votes inquired into? Has Davidson, who was defeated by these votes, no right to have it inquired into? These marks could have been put on these tickets by one handing the tickets in opening them preparatory to counting them by using a short pencil which could not be seen by others. We do not charge that this was done in this case, but the fact that it might have been done is the reason why these marks should be inquired into. Mr. Crea then read from an authority a case in which it was clearly held that it is always competent in cases where a mark over the name on the printed ticket is questioned, it is competent to inquire of the voter whether he intended to vote against the person over whose name such ambiguous mark appeared. This settles beyond controversy the right to inquire how the marks came on these twenty tickets which defeated Davidson. If ever a court decided anything clearly the Supreme Court of Illinois, in 125th Ill., has decided that this petition is good and that this election should be inquired into. Another case was cited in which the court held that a refusal on the part of a court to hear evidence explanatory of abiguity on a ballot is error. Also one from the 125th Ill., where the wrong given name of a candidate had been on the ballot. In that case the court held that it was proper to hear evidence as to the intention of the voter. He also read a case in which a judge of election was indicted and convicted in the Massachusetts courts for marking, unperceived, over the name of a candidate with a short lead pencil as he opened the ballot. He was caught in the act and the votes he marked were counted. In the Mt. Zion case no man has been detected doing this, but suppose the judge of election in Boston had not been caught, would any court have held that evidence should not be admitted to show the intention of the voter whose ticket had been tampered with. Is there any reason why, in this case, where this thing might have been done by the judge of election and not being discovered, that these Mt. Zion voters shall be disfranchised by refusing evidence to show the intention of the voters. In the Massachusetts case the court also held that in case the judge had not been detected the fact that these peculiar marks appeared only upon the name of one man on the ticket was sufficient reason for inquiring into how the marks came there, and what was the intention of the voter.

Mr. Crea having concluded his argument the court adjourned until 1:30 o'clock p. m

From Friday's Daily.

When argument was resumed in the county court yesterday afternoon in the case of Ulery et al vs. W. B. Hunter, the Democratic supervisor claimant from Mt. Zion township, Mr. Hunter was on deck and so were the petitioners.

FOR THE PETITIONERS.

On the sufficiency of the petition Attorney Crea read and referred to a case reported in the 125th Ill., in which the court held that the petition which only contained allegations stated upon information and belief was sufficient to warrant the examination of the ballots, and that it was not necessary to name those whose ballots were miscounted, as there is no possible way of knowing, except by accident, how the irregularity occurred.

Attorney A. H. Mills then cited from the 71st Ills., pages 235 and 236, in which the court held the cause of the mistake in counting the votes is not material and not necessary to be stated in the petition. Mr. Buckingham claims that we will never be able to produce the evidence of voters who cast the ballots referred to in the allegation as to his intention in casting the ballot. Mr. Mills quoted from authorities to show that a voter could not be compelled to state how he voted, but that he could voluntarily give testimony as to his intention in casting his ballot. He also gave authority to show that the declaration of the election officers must stand until impeached, when testimony may be taken to establish the intent of the voter; another authority where no fraud being alleged, upon the result being questioned the ballots were recanvassed and the votes improperly counted were correctly credited to the candidate for whom the ballots were cast.

Mr. Mills cited many other authorities to show that the courts have uniformly held that the testimony of the voter when voluntarily given was proper and admissible to establish the intention of the voter.

At this juncture, when the time came for Attorney Buckingham to close the argument in the case, Mr. B. asked for a postponement of the hearing, as he had a case in a justice's court which required his attention. He had to go to Sullivan Friday and it would be impossible for him to be in Decatur until Saturday.

Judge Nelson at the request of Mr. Buckingham adjourned the further hearing of the case until Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

MANAGER Z. T. POPE,

He Takes Charge of the Decatur Singer Sewing Machine Office.

The management of the Decatur office of the Singer Sewing Machine Company at 249 North Main street, has changed hands. Mr. Zach T. Pope is now in charge as General Manager, as the successor of J. K. Marks. During the past two years and a half Mr. Pope has been traveling in the interest of the Singer company, and he has done so well that his promotion to the more responsible position of Manager is but a just recognition of his merits as a business man, especially valuable in the sewing machine interests.

Besides the business of Decatur and Macon county, Manager Pope will have to look after sub-offices in his territory, in parts of Christian, Pratt and Moultrie county. His personal knowledge of the territory under his supervision and his wide acquaintance with the people in the towns and country will add largely to the volume of the Singer business in this part of the State. Manager Pope is the right man for the Singer people in Decatur.

MARRIED.

By Justice Stephens, Wednesday evening at 4 o'clock, at the residence of the groom's mother, John W. Gunther and Julia L. Adamson.

JESSE FISHER has removed from North Water street to 245 North Main street, where he has a full line of Farm Implements; also the Milwaukee Binder. Call and see him. March 12-w3m

THE CITIZENS' NATIONAL.

New Bank in Decatur with Mr. J. R. Gorin as President.

From Friday's Daily.

A business meeting of the thirty-five stockholders of the Citizens' National Bank, of Decatur, was held last night in the Casner bank building, when the following officers were chosen by the directory elected:

President—J. R. Gorin.
Vice President—Lewis B. Casner.
Cashier—John A. Dawson.
Directory—J. R. Gorin, Lewis B. Casner, John A. Dawson, J. N. Baker, H. E. Foster, F. M. Young and A. J. Stoner.

The election of the foregoing officers is preliminary to securing authority from the Comptroller of the National Treasury to begin business, which authority will be obtained within a week or ten days.

The paid up capital of the Citizens' National is $100,000. The stockholders include many of the leading business men and manufacturers of the city. The directory alone represents nearly $1,000,000.

Marvel-Harrouff.

From Thursday's Daily.

Miss Delle Harrouff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Harrouff, was united in marriage this morning at 8 o'clock to George Marvel, of Cylon, Wis., at the home of the bride's parents in Oreana, Rev. J. E. Artz, of Waynesville, performing the ceremony. The affair was a very quiet one, attended by only the immediate friends and relatives of the contracting parties. Following the ceremony a sumptuous wedding breakfast was served.

The couple came to Decatur this morning, en route to Denver, Colo., where they will spend their honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Marvel will then go to Cylon, Wis., where they will make their future home.

The groom is a telegraph operator and the bride is a most estimable young lady and is well acquainted in this city, where she has many friends who join with the REPUBLICAN in extending to Mr. and Mrs. Marvel the best of wishes for their future welfare and happiness.

U. B. Church Board Meeting.

The General Board Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Association of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, will be held in the U. B. Church, 458 N. Broadway, May 20, 21 and 22, 1891. Delegates are expected from every conference in the Church. There will be several ladies present who have been engaged for missionary work for quite a number of years. Mrs. W. S. Sage, who, with her husband, has been in the employ of this association as a missionary to Africa, is expected to be present and occupy one evening; her husband will also be present. Rev. and Mrs. Sage were in the employ of the general missionary boards of the Church before the Woman's Association was organized. Her knowledge of the customs and habits of the people of the Dark Continent can but qualify her to give an interesting lecture. All are welcome.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Love, May 6, in Haworth Block, a son.

Bob Hays has accepted a position as salesman at Linn & Scruggs' store.

Born, to Hon. and Mrs. Wash Smith, of Mt. Zion, on Friday, May 8—a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Young, of 244 Central Avenue, on Thursday, May 7th, a daughter.

Mrs. A. W. Oliver and children, of Wichita, Kan., are in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin, West Main street.

Mrs. Frank Oliver and children, of Wichita, Kansas, arrived in the city today to visit Mrs. C. G. Martin and other relatives.

Miss Maggie Crawford, of Lancaster, Ohio, is a student at the Decatur Business College. She is in the stenographic and Remington typewriting department.

Danville *Commercial:* The oration of Rev. James Miller, of Decatur, at the Ascension Day ceremonies at Springhill cemetery yesterday, held by Athelstan Commandery No. 45, K. T., was a masterpiece for eloquence and erudition.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ewing and Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Rude will leave this evening for Gainesville, Texas, where the gentlemen have purchased a merchant tailoring and gentlemen's furnishing goods establishment and will personally have charge of the business.

Memorial Day Committees.

The following is the complete list of committees appointed for Memorial Day by Dunham Post, G. A. R.:

Program, Music and Speakers—Comrades Bumstead, Johns, Williams, Steele and Hays.

Order of Exercises—Comrades Walston, Johnson and Shea.

Grounds, Graves and Decoration—Comrades Roberts, Smith and Pringle.

Committee on Flowers—Comrade L. N. Martin, W. R. C. and S. of V.

Remarkable Facts.

Heart disease is usually supposed to be incurable, but when properly treated a large proportion of cases can be cured. Thus Mrs. Elmira Hatch, of Elkhart, Ind., and Mrs. Mary L. Baker, of Ovid, Mich., were cured after suffering 20 years. S. C. Lenburger, druggist at San Jose, Ill., says that Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure which cured the former, "worked wonders for his wife." Levi Logan, of Buchanan, Mich., who had heart disease for 30 years, says two bottles made him feel like "a new man." Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure is sold and guaranteed by W. C. Armstrong. Book of wonderful testimonials free. d&w

WE guarantee our Rice Coil Spring Vehicles to be the easiest riding made in the world. If after six weeks' trial the Rice Coil Spring is not found to be the easiest riding spring you ever used, we will exchange for any other style.
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WEEKLY REPUBLICAN.

Entered at the Postoffice at Decatur, Ill., as second class mail matter.

THE President was presented with a seven-pound silver brick by his admirers at Leadville, Col.

COSTA RICA is on the verge of another civil war. A Central American republic without a civil war on its hands is in an unnatural condition.

IF W. B. Hunter believes that he was legally elected supervisor of Mt. Zion township why does he take advantage of every technicality and device to keep the court from confirming his election by an examination of the twenty ballots in question?

THE Connecticut Democrats have claimed that Morris, their candidate for Governor, had a majority of 20 on the face of the returns. The recount of the votes shows that in the one city of Norwich Morris was erroneously credited with 43 votes more than he received. This knocks out the Democratic claim completely.

TAUBENECK, the farmer member of the Legislature who alone stuck to his party on the occasion of the senatorial election, is to be presented with a watch, subscribed mutually by Republicans and members of the farmers' organization. Mr. Taubeneck deserves such recognition of his manliness. The two members of the F. M. B. A. who deserted their colors have practically disappeared, while Mr. Taubeneck has become known throughout the state as a man at least honest and courageous.

W. B. HUNTER claims to have been elected supervisor of Mt. Zion township at the recent election. He has even sat in the board of supervisors. There are many good men in his township who believe he was not elected and have so stated to the court. If Hunter was elected he could prove that fact by promptly joining in a demand for an examination of the ballots. Does not the fact that he is fighting to avoid the examination of the ballots indicate that he has doubts about his election? He was the judge of his own election and ought to know.

THE consummation of reciprocity with Venezuela will prove highly beneficial both to that Republic and the United States. At present we import from Venezuela about $10,000,000 worth of merchandise yearly. We only send her $1,000,000 worth in return. This leaves a balance of trade of $6,000,000 against us an unprofitable condition which reciprocity would be pretty sure to do away with. Reciprocal trade with the United States would stimulate greatly the sugar production of Venezuela, and that country has a sugar producing capacity which is enormous.

IT is stated by some of those who are interested in the defeat of the effort now being made in the courts to investigate the Mt. Zion election of supervisor that it will ruin the Republican party in that township. It is wonderful to see the worry of such people over the possibility of such a result. If investigating whether twenty ballots bearing a slight check mark, not sufficient to amount to scratching a name, should or should not be counted, will ruin the Republican party, it is a very strange condition of things, to say the least. Probably Hunter's fight to keep the court from looking at these ballots is made to save the Republican party of Mt. Zion township from ruin.

THE fact is that many among the better class of Democrats in Mt. Zion township, since they have come to look squarely at the course being pursued by W. B. Hunter of that township in the position of hostility he has assumed to a re-examination of the questionable ballots, do not endorse it. They believe, as every fair-minded man who has allowed himself to reason about the case does, that if ballots were not counted which were honestly cast for D. C. Davidson, then Davidson and not Hunter was elected and ought to have the office. There is no way of determining that matter but by an order of court, and they believe that W. B. Hunter can justify himself in no other way than by consenting to that which is so eminently fair, and which cannot do him any injustice if he was honestly elected. The fact that Hunter was the judge of the election who alone handled the tickets, puts him, in their opinion, in a position, where he as an honest man could make no graver mistake than to continue in his present course.

Tariff Pictures.

New York Press: United States Treasury reports do not lie. The one just issued dealing with our exports and imports shows that whereas in March, 1890, we sold American agricultural implements to other nations to the value of $387,255, in March, 1891, we sold these implements abroad to the value of $621,221.

This does not look as though the McKinley tariff was checking our exports.

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In 1880 the value of the manufactured products of the United States was over $5,000,000,000.

In 1890 it had increased to over $8,000,000,000.

This shows what a decade of protection has done for our industries.

LINN & SCRUGGS Dry Goods and Carpet company are agents for the celebrated Continheri kid gloves, the best fitting, best wearing, handsomest and cheapest kid gloves in the world.
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Federal Control of Elections.

The method of choosing Presidential electors adopted by the Democratic Legislature and approved by the Democratic Governor of Michigan, by the enactment of a law for the choosing of such electors by Congressional Districts, is a departure from old and well accepted methods which will cause considerable comment on the part of the press and the people in all parts of the Union.

The St. Louis *Republic*, a Democratic paper, speaking of it says that "the association of the choice of Presidential electors with gerrymanders in the congressional districts, offers the advocates of complete federal control, with military force if deemed advisable by the administration, a very strong argument, of which they will not be slow to avail themselves." This Democratic journal incidentally admits in the above that the action of the Democrats of Michigan is not defensible on any theory of justice and equity; but, instead of arraigning them pointedly and unequivocally it fears that it may give the advocates of fair elections another cause for more urgency in establishing Federal supervision of elections.

The conduct of the Democratic party, in matters touching a fair ballot, is a standing and continuing argument in favor of Federal control of elections. It is that party, and it alone, which makes the advocacy of such a measure a necessity, and its adoption the only hope of a free people for a perpetuation of popular government. The Southern elections are confessedly fraudulent—rotten in every way; made so by the Democrats of that section.

In the North wherever Democrats have the control of States the most outrageous and inequitable gerrymandering of legislative and congressional districts has been the rule, and now, after having gerrymandered the State of Michigan in the interest of the Democratic party, so that party may, under ordinary circumstances, control a majority of the congressional districts, to follow it up with a law providing that Presidential electors shall be chosen by congressional districts is an exercise of partisan power unequaled before in any Northern State. Under such an arrangement, no matter how strong the Republican majority may be in that state, the majority of electors will be Democratic.

Every other state chooses its electors by a plurality of votes, and they cast the vote of the state in the Electoral College. Michigan's vote will be, under its Democratic plan, neutralized in the Electoral College. These Democratic tricks and shifts, which are multiplying year by year, make it certain that Congress must, sooner or later, enact a law establishing Federal control of elections. Elections can never be made equitable in any other way. The voter's rights should be uniform all over the Union. No power but Congress can be relied upon to make them so.

In many states in the South certain votes for Congressmen and Presidential Electors are not counted after being cast. In Kentucky a man must reside two years before he can vote for Congressmen and Presidential Electors. In Maine one can vote on a residence of three months; in Illinois one year; in Ohio six months; in Minnesota four months, and so on through the whole list of States; and now we have, in addition to this unequal power of voters, the Michigan scheme, which takes away half the power of the State. No honest patriot can look at these facts without concluding that the best thing for this Republic, and the only way to secure equality of suffrage, is by Federal control of the elections, and the quicker it comes the better for the country.

The Logan 103.

Senator Fuller, president of the "Logan 103" has announced that the third biennial banquet of that organization will be held at Springfield at the Leland hotel on the evening of May 27. It is expected that all the living members of that noted body will be present. There are two veterans of the 103 organization in Decatur. Hon. Jason Rogers, who was a member from the 29th district in 1885, and W. F. Calhoun, of the REPUBLICAN, who was then a member of the Legislature from the 30th district.

A LOT of small souled Democratic papers have been charging that the President's trip is enormously expensive and a robbery of the people, in spite of the fact that he is paying his own expenses. To such carpings a Democratic paper in San Francisco replies in the following sharp manner:

In the name of ordinary decency, not to speak of political and journalistic common sense, let us ask the concoctors of this sort of stuff manage to get it into type without succumbing to sensitiveness? Have we no more serious cause of complaint against Benjamin Harrison than the fact that he is taking a look at the country over which he presides, and doing it in as dignified a way as if he were the president of a railroad instead of the President of the United States? It would be money in the public pocket to take the President, his Cabinet, and every member of Congress through the entire Union every two years, even if it took a dozen trains, each as fine as the one that horrifies the *Sun* and *Herald*. It would cost money—every valuable thing except love does that—but it would pay high dividends.

Tariff Pictures.

It is no wonder that English pocket knives are cheap.

Average daily wages, cutlers: England, $1.20; United States, New York state, $2.50.

YOU will find the best carpets, latest and most desirable styles, and lowest prices at Linn & Scruggs' Dry Goods & Carpet Co. daw

The Judicial Contest.

The judicial contest in this district, while it is not as intense as a congressional campaign, is not without some interesting features. We have the regular Republican nominees, Vail, Wright and Bookwalter, who are modestly going about, becoming acquainted with the people. They are without exception good men morally and have fine legal ability. They are duly accredited by a political party which stands sponsor for them in every way. With this endorsement they are before the people for election. That these men are avowed Republicans is no discredit to them. Every good American citizen has his political opinion. The man in this country who has no political opinion is not entitled to, and is unfit, to hold any public office.

Mr. Graham, the Democratic nominee, is also looking up his Democratic constituents and talking to them about the prospects of the June election. So far as one can see it is fair to presume that Mr. Graham will get the support of his party.

In addition to these party nominees, Judges Smith and Hughes are candidates, and are after the votes of both Democrats and Republicans, on the theory that they are non-partisan. They expect to be at the polls with their names as riders on the Democratic ticket. Kimbrough, of Danville, at the Democratic convention, opened the way for this when in a speech he announced them as Republicans out of harmony with the party and fit material to be cultivated by Democrats. If Smith and Hughes are not in harmony with the Republican party at this time, it is because they failed to get the nomination of the party; and if Mr. Kimbrough was correct in his statement, then these two candidates were Republicans for office, largely. These gentlemen are making a campaign on the literary bureau plan, swelling the mail of the people of the district with printed matter. This by the way recalls an amusing thing in connection with Smith's literature. A four column circular containing extracts from Republican papers commendatory of Judge Smith are being sent to the voters, but every one of these notices were given Judge Smith at a time—February, 1891—when he was a candidate for the nomination at the hands of the Republican convention and it will be observed that these extracts all speak favorably to the matter of his nomination by the party. The distribution of Smith literature in the district in the form stated is done to mislead the voters, but it is not likely that any intelligent Republican will be fooled by the scheme. It is too transparent. But since Smith failed to secure the nomination all the papers from which Mr. Smith culls his extracts, are now supporting the regular nominees, Vail, Wright and Bookwalter. Another remarkable thing about Judge Smith's literature is the circular said to be from the *Progressive Farmer* written after Smith found he could not secure the Republican nomination. It is a letter purporting to have been written by one M. D. Coffeen, of Homer, to Judge Smith, and his reply thereto. It will be noticed that Coffeen's letter is dated March 29, and is addressed to Smith at Ottawa, Ill. Judge Smith's reply is also dated March 29, and dated at Champaign. How a letter could be carried from Homer to Ottawa and get back to Champaign and be replied to the same day is remarkable. To any body not a nonpartisan this remarkable freak of letter writing might seem to have been a collusion on the part of Judge Smith and M. D. Coffeen. The introduction to these letters in the circular says, "The following correspondence needs little explanation." Considering the remarkable coincidence just pointed out the reader may not be so clear on that point and an explanation may necessarily follow. The bunch of literature is now in the course of distribution in Macon county. Judge Hughes is also conducting a bureau but as none of his circulars have reached Decatur they cannot be fairly reviewed at this time.

Equal Suffrage Echoes.

The Illinois Senate has passed the school suffrage bill.

Governor Joseph Fifer is a staunch friend of equal suffrage. He is a member of the executive committee of the Illinois Association.

Superintendent Gastman is awakening an interest in the subject of suffrage among the members of the class in civil government. The girls of the class were required to frame a Sixteenth Amendment as a part of their lesson.

A practical Sunday school teacher fears that she shocked some of the young men of her class by claiming that the women of the present do not have all the rights and privileges they should have. While in olden times they were considered inferior to man, they are not yet his equal before the law.

Yes; in Wyoming equality before the law is and has been granted for twenty-two years and no one desires a change, excepting defeated candidates for office.

More than one Decatur widow has been required to pay higher taxes than her neighbors who could vote, though the property was of equal value. Those widows would like to vote for assessor at least.

One widow's taxes were computed from the books of the previous year, while the husband had disposed of a portion of the property before his death. That woman is now ready to vote.

In many homes the widows' trials are increased by appraisers being sent to value the household goods, including bedding, clothing, canned fruit, etc. Would a man endure such an obtrusion?

Lombard, Ill., where the (future) famous fifteen women voted, has a special charter, which provides that *all citizens* over twenty-one may vote at municipal elections. The question for the courts to settle is, Are women citizens?

The Blaine Plan and the Aldrich Amendment.

The Chicago *Tribune* still contends that the REPUBLICAN, and all other Republican papers that refuse to consent to its assumption that the Republicans in Congress, by the adoption of the Aldrich reciprocity amendment, did violence to Blaine's ideas of reciprocity, and because they refuse to consent are opposed, not only to Blaine, but to reciprocity. It will not have it that there is anything short of eternal enmity between Blaine and Congress on that question, and still insists that Congress emasculated Blaine's plan.

It now says:

There is not one of the McKinley papers or McKinley Congressmen who will tell their readers or their audiences wherein the Aldrich amendment falls short of Mr. Blaine's ideas. The Decatur REPUBLICAN does not.

It is true the REPUBLICAN has never told its readers where the Aldrich amendment falls short of Blaine's ideas because it does not believe that the present law does fall short of Blaine's plans, but it has repeatedly stated wherein Blaine's original plan and the Aldrich reciprocity amendment differ.

The *Tribune* then goes on and makes the following remarkable statement:

Mr. Blaine asked that power be given the President to re-impose the old duty of $40 a ton on the raw sugars of non-reciprocating nations. * * * * Had he been enabled to restore the $40 duty Germany would have come to terms at once. Spain would not have hesitated a moment and would have given all that was asked of her.

This statement is remarkable because not a single one of its parts is based on fact. The *Tribune* has admitted that the amendment introduced by Senator Hale, of Maine, June 19, 1890, embodied Blaine's views, and Senator Frye, of Maine, in his reply to Blaine's letter of July 14, 1890, said: "I assume that your views are contained in what is known as the Hale amendment;" so we assume that there remains no doubt that Blaine was the author of that amendment, which is as follows:

And the President of the United States is hereby authorized, without further legislation, to declare the ports of the United States free and open to all the products of any *nation of the American hemisphere* upon which no export duties are imposed, whenever and so long as such nation shall admit to its ports free of all national, provincial (State), municipal, and other taxes, flour, corn-meal, and other breadstuffs, preserved meats, fish, vegetables, and fruits, cotton-seed oil, rice, and other provisions, including all articles of food, lumber, furniture and all other articles of wood, agricultural implements and machinery, mining and mechanical machinery, structural steel and iron, steel rails, locomotives, railway cars and supplies, street cars, refined petroleum, or such products of the United States as may be agreed upon.

The nations of the American hemisphere are the nations embraced in South America, Central America and Mexico. This being true, on what honorable ground can the *Tribune* assume that Blaine's idea of reciprocity embraced Germany and Spain? For this reason his proposition was not accepted by the Republicans of the Committee on Ways and Means. A majority of them wanted free sugar and did not believe it expedient to keep sugar on the dutiable list for trading purposes with a people that furnished us only a small per cent of the sugar we consumed.

But Mr. Blaine still clung to his exclusive South American scheme up to June 19, 1890, when he embodied it in the Hale amendment. But in his letter to Senator Frye, July 14, 1890, his scheme began to widen and he took in Spain (Cuba and Porto Rico), which so surprised Senator Frye that in his answer he said: "I assume that your views are embraced in the Hale amendment." This ended all differences between Mr. Blaine and Congress, and the Aldrich amendment was the result. The Hale amendment was at once abandoned by Hale himself and all other Republican members of Congress, every one voting against it when the Democrats, by Senator Gray, offered it as a substitute for the Aldrich amendment in the Senate Sept. 9, 1890.

If these historic facts do not prove beyond cavil, on the part of those who mean to be fair, that Congress and Mr. Blaine got together on reciprocity then the facts of history prove nothing. That Blaine yielded in a large measure to the views of Congress as to details does him no discredit. Congress was willing to try reciprocity which promised free sugar as to Germany and Spain, as well as to South America. Congress disagreed with Mr. Blaine only as to the scope and retaliatory clause of a reciprocity provision. There was no quarrel, no "holding up," no threat.

The *Tribune* assumes that reciprocity is everything, but Mr. Blaine himself in "Blaine's Political Discussions," page 411, says the object of Garfield's administration was: first, to bring about peace and prevent future wars in North and South America; second, to increase our export trade with all American countries, and that, to attain the latter, he claims, the first must be accomplished, as it would be idle to attempt to enlarge our trade with them as long as these nations are liable at any moment to resort to arms. The peace problem has not been settled, and, according to Mr. Blaine's own opinion, until it is this shibboleth of the *Tribune* is liable to have many ups and downs in South America, and it is not yet certain that we will not profit more by the Congressional appendix to reciprocity, Germany and Spain, than by reciprocity with the *nations of this hemisphere.*

LOOK out for the bargains, within the next few days that have been purchased by Mr. Morris of the Linn & Scruggs Dry Goods & Carpet Co., who is still in the Eastern markets, and will be placed on sale here. d&wtf

THE COUNTRY TOWNS.

TROUTMAN.

The majority of farmers are almost done planting corn. R. M. Park replanted 30 acres taken by cut-worms.

The rain of Sunday evening was gladly received.

Quarterly meeting at Sharon last Sunday evening conducted by Rev. Gay.

Rev. Bryant visited us Monday.

James Constant's watch was taken from the mantel while they were out driving this evening. Supposed to have been taken by a tramp.

Mrs. L. L. Houck and daughter, of Troutman, and Mrs. Gulick visited Mrs. Turner, near Oreana, Tuesday.

Corn seems to be a fair stand so far as we can know. Grass, oats and meadow need rain.

Mrs. James Houseman is improving.

Jacob Constant is able to be around again.

Mr and Mrs. Moore, of Chapin, Ill., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Leonard.

There was a general surprise last Tuesday on W. E. Linthicum, of Harristown. It was planned by his daughters and neighbors, and a general good time was had.

Wm. Sawyer is repainting his house inside and out.

Sharon will have the usual good time children's day, about two weeks hence. Everybody invited.

Jasper Layton, of Harristown township, is given up to die of typhoid fever. SUN.

May 13, 1891.

LA PLACE.

A much needed rain fell in this vicinity last Sunday night.

Farmers are nearly through planting corn.

The potato bugs are becoming "too numerous to mention" here.

John M. Shively has sold his property here to a gentleman in Decatur, whose name I did not learn. Consideration, $1,500.

Will Gunkle went to Decatur to-day.

Leonard Wise's new house is nearing completion.

Victor Hawthorne will build an addition to the store room occupied by "Cheap Jim."

A number of LaPlace young folks attended commencement exercises at Cerro Gordo last Friday.

LaPlace Lodge, I. O. G. T., installed its new officers last Thursday evening, with Emery Sayers as C. T. and Bessie Eagar V. T.

An effort is being made to reorganize the LaPlace cornet band and I sincerely hope they may succeed. Z.

May 14.

The Illinois Watch-Tower.

"You W. C. T. U. women ought to have a paper of your own" has been the frequent expression of one of our honorary members, and doubtless the more frequent thought of the Decatur editors. Locally we have not yet reached that happy time, but as a state organization we are permitted to rejoice over the publication of a fair, four-page sheet, bearing the above title and published in our banner district, in the home of the banner union, the city of Bloomington. The paper is edited by one well qualified by education, experience and earnestness to convey to the 14,000 white ribbon women of Illinois and our friends the messages from our leaders, news from the field, hints and helps to the workers, some straws perhaps that may be gathered into sheaves, and many rich gems that may be of priceless value if only sought for.

Mrs. Amelia E. Sanford, teacher, district president, state treasurer of the W. C. T. U., and now editor of the *Illinois Watch Tower*, is worthy a cordial reception from the newspaper fraternity and the generous support of friends of temperance. We can none of us afford to be without our national message bearer, the *Union Signal*, we need fully as much to be inspired by the cheering, hopeful and helpful example of our sisters throughout the state, as shown by the *Watch-Tower*. SUPT. PRESS WORK.

District W. C. T. U. Work.

The District President Miss Margaret E. Crissey, of Decatur, has been actively engaged nearly all the time for several months in visiting the different Unions of the District, enlivening some, reorganizing others and forming new Unions in a number of places. She recently organized a Union in Mansfield, McLean county, making 11 new Unions with nearly 200 active members that she has brought into line since Dec. 12. Forty honorary members have also been enrolled. Each Union, nearly 60 in all, in the counties of DeWitt, Logan, Piatt and McLean counties has been visited and encouraged by Miss Crissey since last December.

THE MINERS ARE DEFIANT.

They Want a Full Scale Price and a 7-8 Inch Screen in This District.

Springfield News.

At a sub-district delegate meeting held in the G. A. R. hall with President John Atkinson in the chair and James Harrison secretary, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the miners of this subdistrict do demand 62½ cents a ton over a ⅞ inch screen. Be it further

Resolved, That any operator paying 62½ cents a ton over a ⅞ inch screen be allowed to resume work subject to the decision of the state convention.

Resolved, That James Atkinson and John McGuirk represent Springfield subdistrict at the state convention to be held at Streator May 12.

WALL PAPER in new Patterns and colors, just received at Linn & Scruggs' Dry Goods & Carpet Co. daw

WILLIAM III.

William III., Prince of Orange, was invited to England to oust James II. from the throne, a feat William accomplished with little trouble. He suffered greatly with asthma all of his life. He was at the head of the alliance that withstood the tyranny of Louis XIV. of France. He declared war against France and was to take command of the allied forces. Just as he was getting ready he went out to ride one day, when his horse stumbled over a mole hill and threw the king to the ground, breaking his collar bone. This gave his system such a shock that his asthma came back and he slowly sank and died. If he had taken such a remedy as Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure his asthma would have been checked, and his system would have withstood the shock. It contains no poison. For sale by all druggists, 25 and 50 cents a bottle.

SYLVAN REMEDY COMPANY,
Peoria, Ill.

FORERUNNERS OF THE BICYCLE.

History of the Inventions Which Led up to the Present Machine.

The first rudimentary bicycle was mounted by Baron von Drais, a Frenchman living in Germany, who early in this century, invented a combination of two wheels, a seat and handles, which he called a "celerifere," to aid him in his work of overseeing large estates.

The old cuts of this odd machine, called, after its inventor, the "Draisine," show it to be in its general arrangement a forerunner of the hobby horse. "Daisines" were introduced into England in 1818, and a year later they were seen in America on the streets of New York.

In both countries they met with great favor, and one historian relates that in New York "people rode them up and down the Bowery, and on the parks, a favorite place for speed being down grade from Chatham street to City Hall Park." Clumsy machines they seem to our eyes—two heavy wheels connected by a cross bar to which was attached midway the cushioned seat for the rider. In front of the seat was a raised cushion upon which, handles in hand, the rider rested his forearms, guiding the machine. He propelled it by pushing alternately with his feet on the ground until the speed was sufficient to maintain equilibrium, when he would raise his feet and, in the words of a rider to-day "coast."

The rage for these "Draisines," and "pedestrian curricles," or "dandy horses" and "hobby horses," as the later "improved" machines were called, subsided rapidly because of the difficulty of making them practically useful, and because of the ridicule always excited by the riders.

This curious sport of riding two wheels joined and running in the same perpendicular plane therefore languished in obscurity until after a lapse of more than forty years it again attracted public attention in a new form. It was in 1865 that a French mechanic, Pierre Lallement, conceived the notion of attaching foot-cranks to the front wheel of the old-fashioned hobby horse. He made a machine embodying this idea, learned to ride it, and exhibited it at the Paris exposition in 1867. The credit for this invention is also claimed in England for Edward Gilman, but be the honor due to Frenchman or Englishman, here at all events, was the immediate predecessor of the bicycle. It immediately became popular in both England and America. A great many improvements and changes were necessary, of course, before the crude machine of Lallement—the "velocipede" of thirty years ago—became the finished bicycle of to-day; but energetic business men in England, and later in this country, saw its possibilities and began the manufacture of the machines. Improvement has followed improvement, until now there is little resemblance left to the old velocipedes, or "bone shakers" as it was flippantly called, and it is difficult to imagine in what the modern bicycle may be improved.

Gone to Join Her Father.

Rosa Hall, daughter of John H. Hall went to Joliet yesterday where she will serve a one-year term for larceny. It will be remembered that Rosa was the chief witness against her father, who was sent to the pen for life for his connection with the triple murder at Mt. Pulaski. She should be placed in her father's cell, and his ghost should haunt her from now until doom's day.—*Lincoln Daily News.*

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HUGH M'NAMEE ARRESTED AT BEMENT ON A QUEER CHARGE.

He Used His Position as a Post-office Clerk to Intercept Drafts on His Firm.

BEMENT, Ill ,May 12 —Hugh McNamee, of the firm of McNamee Bros., of Bement, and a son of the postmaster here, was arrested to night by Deputy United States Marshal Gardner and taken to Springfield, where he was bound over to the grand jury by United States Commissioner Bradford in the sum of $5,000, on a charge of intercepting letters McNamee is engaged in the grocery business here and was also sworn in as a postoffice clerk and assisted in the distribution of the mail It is charged that McNamee became financially embarrassed and that to gain time he was in the habit of intercepting and destroying letters to the Bank of Bement which contained drafts on his firm or checks drawn by his firm and forwarded for collection The time gained by these acts enabled him to meets his bills and make good his bank balance When arrested he had some of the intercepted letters on his person He gave bail and was released to night

John McNamee, the postmaster, is a relic of the Cleveland administration, whose motto, if we remember correctly, was "Turn the rascals out." Hugh McNamee,son of the postmaster, and the assistant in the office, now under arrest, was a delegate from Piatt county to the late Democratic judicial convention held in Decatur, and was appointed a member of the committee on credentials

HIGHWAY ROBBERY

A Jew Peddler Relieved of $700 in Jewelry and $95 in Cash.

Frank Rosenthal, a Hebrew peddler from St Louis, had a tough experience on a country road Saturday evening last at 6 o'clock, one mile west of Milmine and three miles east of Cerro Gordo He had in his possession $700 worth of watches, jewelry and silverware in his pack, and $95 in cash. He was trudging along toward Cerro Gordo, when he was stopped in the road by three highway robbers, who surrounded him and by making threats forced him to hand over all his property and cash Rosenthal was unarmed and powerless to prevent the outrage. It was in a lonely place and no help was at hand.

Rosenthal was left alone in the road, the thieves making off with the plunder. An hour had passed when Rosenthal reached Cerro Gordo, when he reported the facts as stated Constable J. H Hughes and others made an attempt to run down the thieves, but they made their escape The constable and Rosenthal came to Decatur Sunday and turned the case over to Marshal Mason The marshal has secured a description of the robbers, and will do his best to capture the thieves and regain possession of the property. Rosenthal says the men looked like tramps and ranged in years from 18 to 35. One limped as he walked. The peddler is "dead broke," but he will get along some way He had gone from St Louis to Danville on the train, and was working his way back on foot through the country homeward, making sales at the farm houses He had been out a week and had taken in nearly $95 when he met the robbers

A Hunting and Fishing Club

A huge project is on foot to organize a large fishing and shooting club, purchase Spring Lake and a portion of the surrounding country, stock the lake with fish and the grounds with game, and, in short, provide a place where the members can go and enjoy good fishing and hunting The club is to have a paid up capital of $50,000, taken by residents of Decatur, Springfield, Pekin, and several other points, and to build a $25,000 club house on the lake front, to be run by the club as a hotel. Fifty shares at $100 each have been allotted to Decatur, and already 35 shares have been spoken for by the local sports Theron Powers and W. C Johns have had charge of the arrangements during the past week and the plan has met with universal favor There are no reasons why this club cannot be organized and the plans carried out

New Camp-Meeting Dates

Manager A T Smith in a letter announces a slight change in the time of holding the eighth annual National Prohibition Camp-meeting at Oakland Park. The dates will be July 9th to 19th inclusive The features will be Young Men's Oratorical Contest July 9th, Large Gold Medal Contest July 10th, Industrial Day July 11th, Good Templars Day July 17th The manager states that this camp meeting will be the best ever held at the park, and extra fine talent has been secured at considerable expense. The Jinglers will be here during the meeting

The Wabash Must Pay Taxes.

In the case of The People vs the Wabash R. R Co., the company asked that their hospital, situated in Springfield, be exempted from taxation, and the county board of supervisors passed an order of exemption The county clerk certified the proceedings to the state auditor, who refused to approve the board's action and submitted the case to the supreme court The decision of the court is that the property is subject to taxation.

Look out for the bargains, within the next few days, that have been purchased by our Mr Morris, who is still in the Eastern markets, and will be placed on sale here may9d&wtf

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

HE LOSES 11 MONTHS.

The Illinois Supreme Court Decides the Case of The People vs. Harris.

In the case of The People vs. Harris, the Supreme Court affirmed the judgment of the Circuit Court of Macon county yesterday. At the September term, 1886, of the Macon county circuit court, H. H. Harris was found guilty of forgery. Harris disappeared after the return of the verdict and before the judgment was passed by the court The court sentenced him according to the verdict to six years in the penitentiary, and after months of searching he was found in Kansas by Marshal Mason and taken to Joliet. Harris sued out a writ of error and brought the case to the Supreme Court, and, after Harris had spent eleven months in the penitentiary, the Supreme Court reversed the case on account of the error of the circuit court in sentencing Harris in his absence, and remitted the case to the circuit court of Macon county, with directions to sentence him on the verdict, he being present Harris was again sentenced according to the verdict, without credit to the time served At the time of the second sentence he took leave to file a bill of exceptions covering all the proceedings at the trial, and again brought the case to the Supreme Court Under this decision Harris gets no credit for the 11 months' time put in at Joliet before the second sentence It would have been better had he taken his medicine without a kick

C W PAVEY'S DONATION.

The State Auditor's Cordial Endorsement of the Memorial Hall.

The following is a copy of a letter received to-day at the headquarters of the National G A. R. Memorial Hall It is one of the heartiest endorsements of the hall yet received, and as it was accompanied by a $25 draft and practical suggestions, the letter is given entire

SPRINGFIELD, May 11, 1891

Major Frank L Hays, Decatur, Ill

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE—I intended while in Decatur attending the State Encampment to call on the "building committee or some one authorized to receive subscriptions for the G A R Temple to be erected in your city and place my name on the roll with such amount as I felt able at this time to contribute, but owing to the excitements and pleasures attending that happy occasion, I neglected to do so I now come with my mite for the *first call* and hope that I may be able to do more in future

I am now blessed with five children, our entire family unbroken, thanks be to the "Giver of all good I want to place for each one of them in this building five dollars, so that in the future, after I have received my final "muster out, they may feel that they have an additional interest in this grand Memorial Hall

I earnestly hope and trust that this building will be completed at an early day, and that the veterans of the late war now living may be permitted to join with *all* the sons and daughters of veterans in the ceremonies attending the dedication of this building in the patriotic city of Decatur, a city that will then become the Mecca towards which every patriot will turn, and thousands will visit this temple and drop a tear to the memory of the men who saved this nation

Excuse this lengthy letter, and remember me kindly to the "boys of Dunham Post, Number One Yours, in F , C and L,

C W PAVEY

The Judicial Election.

The day of the judicial election is fast approaching and will be upon us as the saying goes, "before we know it" While it is true that all elections are important and present a responsibility which every American citizen should be willing to meet, yet among them there is no election more important than the election of our Circuit judges In spite of this fact our people as a rule attach little importance to judicial elections, judging from the light vote usually polled. The REPUBLICAN would urge upon the Republican voters of this Circuit court judicial district the importance of taking an interest in the coming judicial election, which occurs Monday June 1, 1891—less than three weeks off. It is true that this election will occur at a busy time for those who live in the country, but by anticipating the election business can be arranged so as to get to the polls The Republican nominees, E. P. Vail, of Decatur, F M Wright, of Urbana, and F W Bookwalter, of Danville are each distinguished for their legal abilities, and for all the qualities which are essential to make acceptable judges. Each one of them has attained his position as lawyer and gentleman by his own energy, having come up from the humblest of beginnings They are the nominees of the Republican party and are entitled to and will receive the support of the Republicans of the district who go to the polls Republicans, in view of the importance of this election, in view of the high standing and qualifications of the Republican nominees, in view of your responsibility as an American citizen, should you not arrange to go to the polls and vote for these men Monday, June 1, 1891?

Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 15 p. m. to-day, received by B Z Taylor, secretary Decatur Grain Company

LIVE STOCK—Estimated receipts—
Hogs—27,000, lower
Cattle—14,000, slow.

GRAIN—Car lots—
Wheat 57, Corn 245, Oats 197

	MAY	JULY
WHEAT	$1 07	$1 02¾
CORN	64	.59¾
OATS	51⅛	46¾
PORK	11 37½	11 60
LARD	6 42½	6 60
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WEEKLY REPUBLICAN.

ENTERED at the Postoffice at Decatur, Illinois, as second class mail matter.

AN anti-trust bill passed the House of Representatives Thursday by a vote of 180 yeas to 4 nays.

AFTER reading the President's speeches on his Southern and Western tour it is superfluous to ask what's the matter with Harrison. "He's all right."

JUDGING from his speeches during the past month the cartoonists must here. after represent "his grandfather's hat" as entirely too small for President Harrison's large and level head.

WHEN you tell the free trader that the McKinley tariff law is framed on the American principle of protection he froths at the mouth. The free trader hates the very word America or American.

THE reform Legislature is not succeeding very well in keeping its promises to the people but it is doing excellent work on the line of spending the people's money.

STRAWBERRIES at a dollar a quart have not yet been laid at the door of "McKinley prices." What is the matter with our free trade contemporaries that they miss this opportunity to repeat their stale lie?

THE fourth and last of the steel ten inch rifles for the Miantonomoh will be ready for delivery in a few days. When they are all in their places New York city will have ready for use a coast defender that can fight.

ITALY it seems is having about all it can attend to at home on account of an anticipated uprising of Anarchists and Socialists. Rome is in a state of panic on account of the dangers which threaten it from these sources.

THE authorities cited by Messrs. Crea and Mills yesterday in the Mt. Zion contest case in support of the petition for an examination of certain ballots cast at the late election in that township, seem to be conclusive The demurrer filed by W. B. Hunter will no doubt be overruled and the ballots will be examined.

So smoothly does the reciprocity plan of the McKinley tariff act operate that those nations that desire to take advantage of the offer it holds out to them, send agents to Washington and pay their fare to inquire of the United States authorities what the government desires them to concede. Peru has now an agent in Washington who is making such inquiry

SENATOR HANSBROUGH, of North Dakota says he thinks 10,000,000 copies of a pamphlet containing the speeches made at the American Protective Tariff League banquet in New York last week, properly circulated and read by the people of the United States who are voters, would fix protection as the policy of this country for the next hundred years Such a pamphlet is in preparation

THE mortality report for Chicago for April shows the deaths to have reached 3400, an increase of forty-five over the previous month and more than double the number for the corresponding month in 1890, when there were 1602, and yet in face of this wonderful increase in the number of deaths, the number drawing salaries under the Cregier administration continually increased, and even now they die hard.

THE government is strictly enforcing the emigrant laws recently enacted by Congress. No ship is permitted, under a severe penalty, to land an emigrant before a government agent has inquired into his right to land under the law. The Superintendent of Immigration has brought action against the Anchor Line and it has given bond to obey the law. All rejected immigrants must be returned at the expense of the ship or company that fetched them over. Scores are being turned back, and this expense to steamship companies will make them careful in accepting emigrants before starting.

Tax Abolished.

Beginning Friday the special tax on leaf and manufactured tobacco and cigars ceased. This will prove a saving of $6 per annum to manufacturers and $2.50 to dealers, but the sum is so inappreciable that it is not likely to affect the price of plug and cigars in tobacco shops. Manufacturers of and dealers in tobacco, however, have to register their business with the collector of internal revenue of the district in which they do business, and will be issued certificates, which they will be required to as conspicuously display in their place of business as they were required to exhibit their former receipts

Tariff Pictures.

New York *Press* At the Protective Tariff League banquet Senator Aldrich disposed of the absurd claim that protection kills foreign trade by showing that during the revenue tariff period from 1847 to 1861 the average yearly exports of the United States per capita were but $7.73, while in the years 1876–1890, after our industries had been built up by protection, our average annual exports per capita were $18.57.

Tariff Pictures.

New York *Press*: "If we do not buy of other nations we cannot sell to them," constantly cry the free traders. Well, in 1860 we sold to foreign nations products worth $316,000,000.

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Party Harmony on Reciprocity.

From Thursday's Daily

The REPUBLICAN a few days ago remarked that the course of the Chicago *Tribune*, in its persistent attempts to mislead the public by misrepresenting the attitude of Secretary Blaine and the Republican leaders in the last Congress, could serve no other purpose than to create dissention among the friends of Republican leaders.

The REPUBLICAN also said that on the matter of reciprocity Mr. Blaine and those who passed the McKinley bill, which provides for it, were now agreed on reciprocity, and were working harmoniously to attain the same ends, and that, in face of this fact, the *Tribune* could have no other purpose in view, in its course, than a desire to chastise the Republican leaders in Congress because they refused to adopt the *Tribune's* theory on the tariff, and it was now using Mr. Blaine and reciprocity as the instrument by which it seeks to inflict the punishment.

In reply to this the *Tribune* assumes that the REPUBLICAN is opposed to reciprocity and consequently opposed to Blaine and to support the assumption it proceeded to narrate a list of efforts on the part of Mr. Blaine to compel Congress to adopt as part of the McKinley bill a scheme of reciprocity, all of which has neither foundation in record nor in fact, but are the lame creatures of the imaginations of those who represented the *Tribune* when the McKinley bill was under consideration, and which are now made to do duty as substitutes for facts.

Mr. Blaine and Congress differed only in this He suggested the retention of sugar on the dutiable list in order to force the nations of the Western hemisphere to concede us by treaty, in return for free sugar, an equivalent in shape of privileges in their markets. Congress believed that sugar should be placed on the free list, and that any nation, no matter whether it was a nation of this hemisphere or the other hemisphere, which in return for free sugar, molasses, coffee, tea or hides would not concede an equivalent for our products in its markets should, at the end of one year, have, by the proclamation of the President, any or all of the above named products rest red to the dutiable list, as to it

The Hale amendment represented Blaine's scheme.

The Aldrich amendment represented the plan Congress believed best.

In the discussion of these propositions in the Senate, Senator Hale himself said his resolution was incomplete, as it limited reciprocity to the nations of this hemisphere and excluded Cuba and Porto Rico, and Mr. Blaine himself, in no public utterance, until he wrote his letter to Senator Frye, dated July 14, 1890, ever suggested the possibility of reciprocity with Spain as to these islands. Senator Frye himself *was surprised* at the proposition in this letter and in reply wrote Secretary Blaine

Your letter leaves me in some doubt as to facts I assume that your views are contained in what is known as the Hale amendment I assume the amendment was the result of thorough investigation The difficulty about it is this The amount of sugar to be received from the States would be comparatively small and the consumer of sugar would receive no benefit from it *Your letter to me extends this idea of reciprocity to Cuba and Porto Rico*

This departure of Secretary Blaine from his original proposition ended the Hale amendment and resulted in the adoption of the plan embraced in the Aldrich amendment which is now a part of the McKinley law.

These are facts which cannot be successfully contradicted. They are facts of record and must stand. No amount of clatter or windy assumptions about irrelevant matter and improbable occurrences can change the fact that Blaine and Congress harmonized on the Aldrich reciprocity amendment to the McKinley bill They are in harmony now, and no one seriously attempts to rob Blaine of having first suggested reciprocity under a tariff bill or to rob Congress of having put the matter in definite and practical shape Mr. Blaine eulogizes McKinley, and McKinley in his New York speech at the League banquet said of Mr Blaine

Then we have another measure, for which we expect great results It will be remembered that the great ambition of that great statesman, Blaine, during the administration of Garfield sought to make reciprocity treaties and by the advice and consent of the present administration a clause in the Tariff act makes a trial of reciprocity possible.

So the irrepressible conflict between Congress and Blaine which the *Tribune* preaches has no foundation in fact The rank and file of the party understand the situation They have gotten together and are ready to meet the enemy, and have no concern for any influence which seeks disorganization and trouble among party leaders.

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The Mt. Zion Contest.

From Friday's Daily.

Judging from developments in Judge Nelson's court yesterday the time is not far distant when W. B. Hunter, the alleged supervisor from Mt. Zion township, will feel like putting the judgment which led him into the dilemma which is surely closing in upon him, on a stone pile for vagrancy, whether it is his own judgment or that of some other person When it was alleged that the refusal on the part of the election board to count certain votes for D. C. Davidson, the Republican candidate for supervisor, because of certain suspicious check marks on the name would not be concurred in by the people without a contest, there was no way open for Mr. Hunter, in which he could be justified, save a hearty consent to the wishes of those who believed that some species of crookedness had been practiced to prevent the election of his competitor. He has chosen the the opposite and dangerous course of fighting the case, and by any means hold on to the office to which he has no doubt never been elected He must know if he has ability enough to formulate an opinion, that these ballots now in contention will be recanvassed As a judge of the election he canvassed the vote and knows that the marks on the name of Davidson were unlike any marks ever placed over a name where the voter intended to "scratch." He knows these marks must have been placed there in fraud of the voter by some one. If he did not, when the votes were counted, then the fact that 157 legal voters afterwards signed a certificate to the effect that they each voted for D. C. Davidson when only 137 ballots were counted for him, should have brought him to his senses. But his obstinacy, or bad advisors, have led him beyond the point of honorable retreat and he will have to endure the consequences. As sure as these ballots are examined in court so sure will they be counted for the man for whom they were cast, and it is to be hoped that the person or persons who perpetrated this fraud may be detected and suitably punished, no matter who they may be, and the determination on the part of so large a number of good citizens to follow up this matter until the polls of Mt Zion township are purged of those who have trifled with the sacredness of the ballot is commendable, and receives the endorsement of all who favor fair elections

DOWN ON HIS LUCK

E C Scott, a Printer, Takes Morphine with Suicidal Intent.

From Saturday's Daily.

Edward C. Scott is a printer aged 33 years who has a wife and four children residing in Bloomington. His parents live at Pittsfield, Ill. Four weeks ago Mr Scott came to Decatur seeking work He got subbing at the *Review* and *Herald-Despatch* offices, but the employment was not sufficiently steady, and Scott became downcast and discouraged

Last night Scott sought his room at the Pratt Hotel on North Water street, and finding that the future for him was dark and unpromising, he took three grains of morphine and laid down for his last sleep. His heavy breathing occasioned much alarm, and Mr Woolington was called in to attend the man. Mr. Woolington and several men at the hotel worked with Scott for over an hour They realized at last that they were powerless to awaken him and Dr H D Heil was summoned to the room. Dr. Heil's treatment soon brought Scott to realize that cold water was playing down his bare back and that parties were pinching him in the breast more vigorously than was pleasing to a man who wanted to sleep in peace.

Mr. Scott frankly admitted this morning that he took the morphine with suicidal intent, and that unless he changed his mind he wou'd make another attempt to destroy his life

June Term Petit Jurors.

The following gentlemen have been drawn to serve as petit jurors at the June term of the Macon county circuit court:

First and second weeks—J J Lyon, A L Hill, Ralph Dean, ... S. R Gher, Elijah Hampton Daniel Moore, Z W Walmsley, James Godfrey Edward Grubel M. L Deck, Emanuel Good, F. Volker, Joseph Powell, Samuel Diller and C M Lytle of Decatur W. I Griffin, C C Cochran, John H McKinley, James Cannon Thomas Pensinger, P J Seiberling, N Sprague, John Froman, Alexander Moore W H Wallace, T B Travis, D H Garver, Thomas Grantham, D M Good, Ross Hockaday, J A Wells, Basil Cooper, Thomas Boardman, W C Murray and William Parker, county.

Third and fourth weeks—W E. Strohm, Albert Leach, Henry McDermott W B Brown, Edward Denz, jr, W A Prescott, Walter Towling, W R Ellison, Michael Witt, J W Barber Thomas Hamilton, Albert S. Morgan, J. M Myers and Henry Kossick, of Decatur, Peter Mash, E J McMillin, Jerry Grace, W C Reeves, William Heiserman, George Kraft, C B Hall, A R. Barber, Charles Jones, F D Fesler, Peter Welsh, David Long, N A. Carr, Henry Landis, W E Gouge, O D Scott, Albert Hughes, Jahill Burt, Willis Bailey, A. Hiser, Miner Alsup and W H Bean, county

Charles Ford Executed

Special to the REPUBLICAN.

CHICAGO, May, 9—Charles Ford, who murdered David Moore, a commercial traveller of Omaha Neb, in Ottawa, Ill., in 1890 was hanged at the latter city at noon to-day. A temporary building outside of the jail was built for the purpose of execution. Everything was conducted in the best possible order and there were no baulks. The criminal was pronounced dead in fifteen minutes after the trap was sprung.

THE city of Effingham has passed an ordinance allowing 25 cents for each tree planted along the streets.

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An Aged Judge.

Justice P. B. Provost received a letter from his uncle, Judge A. P. Provost, of New Brunswick, N. J, to-day. Judge Provost is the only surviving child of a family of five boys and two girls, who all lived to be over 80 years of age. Mr. Provost will be 87 years of age the 21st of this month. He was for 30 years the judge of his district. He was a brother of the late James Provost. Their father was 98 years of age at the time of his death.

I HAVE been troubed with chronic sore eyes for forty-five years, and during that time I have used many different remedies, but have never found any that seemed to do me any good, until I procured a box of Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. I have used only about one-third of a box, and can truthfully say, I have never had my eyes feel as well, nor look as well as they do now. I expect to cure them entirely with the Ointment. BEN HEATH, Dow City, Iowa. 25 cent boxes, for sale at Neisler's Pharmacy.

A Unique Senatorial Committee.

The United States Senate a short time before adjournment appointed a committee composed of Senators Aldrich, Hiscock, Allison, Carlisle and Harris to inquire into the tariff and customs administrative laws. The work of this committee is to make a comparison of prices between the old and the new tariff It has selected two years and one-half, beginning June 1, 1889, and ending October 31, 1891. It will also select certain articles as the basis of its investigation. The standing of the men who are upon this committee and their ability to make an investigation of this character will give their report great weight among the people.

DAILY arrival of spring styles of carpets, wall-paper, curtains, rugs, matts, mouldings, poles, Chinese and Japanese mattings and silks are miracles of beauty. See them at ABEL'S CARPET HOUSE. Mar16-d&wtf.

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CIRCUS DAY ACCIDENT.

Mrs. Amos Spencer and Three Children Thrown Out of a Wagon.

From Friday's Daily

Mrs. Amos Spencer's home is northwest of Decatur a few miles Her parents, Mr. and Mrs Hommons, reside near the show ground, south of Oakland Park This morning the lady and her three children—Charles, a babe seven months old, and Minnie and Susie, aged three and five years—got into a spring wagon drawn by an old gray horse, and started for the Hommons place Passing the corner at Oakland Park south on Oakland avenue the old horse got a smell of the Sells Brothers' elephants and started on a gallop down the dusty street. The light wagon bounded right and left, while Mrs. Spencer alternately grabbed at the lines and then for her children. She was completely dazed and was powerless to check the horse. Suddenly the wagon was run into the gutter on Macon street in front of Billy Harry's residence, and Mrs. Spencer and her children were thrown out on the boulevard under the wagon, the baby bounding across the brick walk into the yard. Having done all the damage and mischief he could, the horse stopped stock still and could not be moved except with the persuasive whip. A great crowd collected Mrs. Spencer, bleeding at the nose and with several ugly bruises on her head and face, was kindly taken into the home of Mr. Harry as were also her children. The baby had been sound asleep in the wagon and was probably asleep when it was thrown out of the vehicle Everybody who witnessed the runaway supposed that the babe had been fatally injured but the subsequent examination by Dr. H O. Jones proved that the little boy had escaped unhurt. He had fallen on his side and shoulder and did not seem concerned about anything but his dinner when the REPUBLICAN reporter called at the house just as the doctor arrived. The two little girls were not hurt, only badly scared. Dr. Jones gave Mrs. Spencer necessary attention and later the lady and her children went to the Hommons place

COST OF MINING COAL.

Growth of the Industry in the State

The third part of the report of the State Inspectors of Mines was made public at Springfield yesterday The statistics of coal production in Illinois for the year ending July 1, 1890, are summarized in the following totals

Number of counties in which coal has been mined	67
Number of mines and openings of all kinds	396
Number of tons (2,000 pounds) of lump coal mined	12 638,364
Number of miners	20,106
Number of other employes, including boys	468
Aggregate home value of products	$12 882 936
Average price per ton paid for hand mining	683
Number of men killed	53
Number of men injured so as to lose time	294

Compared with the statistics for 1889 this exhibit presents the following differences.

There is an increase of eight in the number of counties from which mining operations are reported, and the number of mines and openings of all kinds has increased 82 The aggregate output for the year is 2,040,401 tons greater than for the year preceding, and the average value of the same per ton at the mines has declined from $1 07 to $1 02, the average price of mining for the state at large has also declined from 73 cents to 68 cents a ton The number of employes of all kinds is smaller than that reported for the preceding year The number of fatal accidents during the year has increased from 42 to 53, and the number of non fatal accidents from 201 to 294 The average number of days of active operations during the year has been somewhat less than in former years, owing to a strike of unusual duration in the northern field, where also there has been a marked shortage of product, but in the central and southern districts there has been a corresponding activity and enlargement of capacity and output

Sales of Real Estate.

Daniel E. Day to Martin W. Walters, deed to lot 7, block 3, in Forsyth—$40

James W. Webster to Rudolph Thomas, deed to lot 5, block 4, J K. Warren & Co's Ninth addition—$2100

Kavara Witt to Luse Zepp, deed to 11 acres in 19, 16, 2 east—$215

David White, Sr, to David White, Jr., lot 4 in block 2 of B. H Cassell's Third addition to Decatur—$1,300.

Henry Sheibley to Julia A. Haworth, lots 29 and 30 in block 6, Higgins' addition to Decatur—$1,800.

Jeannette O Blume to C. Virginia Ewing, the north half of the west half of the south half of lot 6 of the Western addition to Decatur—$2,250

Mattie E. Blume to George P Blume, lot 7 of M E. Blume's subdivision of lots 7 and 7 in block 3 of Lake & Co's addition of out lots to Decatur—$625.

Ealten Ann Barnwell to J. N. Randall, deed to lot 5, block 1, Robinson's addition, $1650.

Nicholas P. Gasaway to Bridget Duggan, quit claim to 80 acres in 33, 18, 1 east, $3,000

D A. Barrackman to John N Boyer, deed to 40 acres in 25, 16, 2 east—$4 000

Theo O Reeme to William W. Henshaw, deed to 40 acres in 18, 16, 3 east—$1,400.

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the horse-shoers, have purchased the horse-shoeing business of Jas. H. Gregor, at 328 East Main street, where they are prepared to do all kinds of shoeing, from the lightest to the heaviest. We invite the public to give us a trial, and be convinced that our work is first-class.

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A HERO WINS A BRIDE.

Rev. Wm. J. Rutledge, the Famous Army Chaplain, Married to Miss Annie Smith.

From Thursday's Daily.

Yesterday at Petersburg, Ill, Rev. William J Rutledge, the famous chaplain, was married to Miss Annie F. Smith, of that place. Mr Rutledge is widely known as one of the oldest Methodist preachers in this conference, and one of the most noted chaplains in the late civil war; he was noted especially for his heroic conduct at the battle of Pittsburg Landing He received honorable mention by Gen Grant, and his devotion to the men on the field won him the love and esteem of every man in the brigade On the famous march to the sea he talked with Major Stephenson about the establishment of the Grand Army of the Republic, and its existence to-day is largely due to him. He was elected department chaplain at the State G. A R. Encampment in April, and is greatly honored by all the soldiers who know him. He has been a widower for several years. Chaplain Rutledge attended the encampment in Decatur, and was a frequent and welcome visitor at REPUBLICAN office

MILLER AT DANVILLE.

The Decatur Preacher's Sermon on Ascension Day.

From Thursday's Daily

This is Ascension Day in the religious calendar, a day generally observed by Knights Templar throughout the country.

Rev. James Miller, pastor of the First M. E. church, this city, and grand prelate of the Grand Commandery of Illinois, was at Danville to day, by invitation of Athelstan Commandery, to deliver the Ascension Day address. He chose for his text "Our Templar Dead," giving the historical aspect of Templarism, or its place in civilization, the military aspect of Templarism as a modern institution, the moral aspect of Templarism; the military aspect of Templarism and the religious aspects of Templarism

THE MILITARY SIDE

Speaking of the military side of the order Rev. Miller said that Templarism is charitable, it is patriotic, it is religious Its mission is to defend the Christian religion against its enemies.

"It was organized to defend Christianity against Mohammedanism The three ancient enemies of Christianity were all religious, viz Judaism Heathenism and Mohammedanism Judaism was subdued by Titus, the Roman general Heathenism by Constantine the Roman Emperor, and Knighthood was organized to subdue the Mohammedans

"These dangers are all past and the Christian church has attained to a civilization in which moral suasion is the only instrument of warfare allowed for the conquest of the world in the name of Christ Argument has been substituted for authority and intellectual for physical force, as the only agencies worthy of a true Christian propagandism

"But there are dangers that threaten our common Christianity as well as the free institutions of our country I refer to Italian despotism and superstition, organized and propagated in the name of Christianity Wherever this institution has been permitted to exercise its power and carry out its policy it has made war upon human liberty and stifled intellectual development it has been the implacable foe of education and the relentless enemy of political freedom, it has persecuted intellect and investigation, and has made its hands red with the blood of an advancing civilization, it has licensed crime, cruelty and death, and with the sarcasm of a fiend it has mocked the cry of hungry souls for the bread of Heaven This institution has become rooted in American soil, a spiritual empire, where only one man is free, and he in Rome, in the heart of a Republic where all are free mediæval despotism and superstition in religion side by side with intellectual and political liberty It advocates the sovereignty of the church over the nation, the state and the individual It teaches men to regulate their lives by tradition and superstition, rather than by reason and law It assails our system of public instruction, and, if it could, would stifle both the pulpit and the press

"American ideas and American institutions and the American type of Christianity must be maintained intact and if an obsolete despotism, half Jewish and half Pagan, representing the lingering decrepitude of an expiring antiquity, shall undertake to dictate our civil and religious policy, Knights Templar may be called upon to draw their swords once more in the defence of the Christian religion A religious war is the most undesirable, but not the most unlikely of all wars, for there is no subject that can excite the bitter animosity of the human spirit to such desperate intensity as religious controversy Sir Knights let us pray for peace, and be prepared for war

A National Event.

The holding of the World's Fair in a city scarcely fifty years old will be a remarkable event, but whether it will really benefit the nation as much as the discovery of the Restorative Nervine by Dr Franklin Miles is doubtful This is just what the American people need to cure their excessive nervousness, dyspepsia, headache, dizziness, sleeplessness, neuralgia, nervous ability, dullness, confusion of mind etc. It acts like a charm. Trial bottle and fine book on "Nervous and Heart Diseases," with unequaled testimonials, *free* at W O Armstrong *It is warranted to contain no opium, morphine or dangerous drugs.* d&w

Death of John Wise.

John Wise, an aged resident of Mechanicsburg Pa, well known to many Decatur people, died at his home on South High street Friday afternoon, May 1st, in the 73d year of his age His death was a very sudden one, as he had been in good health and was on the streets on Thursday. Friday morning he was prostrated by a stroke of paralysis, from which he shortly after died.

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DAYS OF MUSIC.

The First Night of the May Festival at the Grand.

The inauguration of Decatur's varied summer attractions will occur this month at the Grand, Wednesday evening, May 20th, when the great and widely talked of May Festival will begin, with its galaxy of talented soloists, its grand chorus of 400 trained voices and its orchestra of 30 pieces, all in perfect harmony, under the direction of Prof. Lutz, the tireless director. This festival of state and national importance, be it known, will be given under the auspices of the Decatur Woman's Club House Stock Company, whose enterprising members arranged for the series of five entertainments—three night concerts and two matinees.

The first night a very attractive programme of eleven numbers will be given, including the address of welcome and the response. The opening overture by the orchestra will be *Bach's* "Golden Gate," and Mrs Genevra J Bishop, of Chicago, soprano, and other soloists, will appear, the lady giving *Gounod's* "Jewel Song" in "Faust" and other selections The principal choruses the first night will be *Handel's* "Jubilate," *Haydn's* "O Father Almighty" and *Costa's* "Triumphal March" There will be a change in the programme at each concert No one who loves to hear fine music, and it will be great music, can afford to miss any one of the five concerts. Write to your friends and tell them to come to Decatur May 20th and remain during the festival.

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SORRY HE SPOKE.

The Tribulations of Senator McHale in Minnesota

The people of Minnesota are winning notoriety for appreciation of the ludicrous by reason of practical jokes they have been playing on State Senator McHale the prudish author of the famous Anti Tights bill which was introduced by him at the last session of the Legislature, but failed to pass one of its houses The Senator cannot leave his horse at a hitching post post for five minutes without returning to find the animal's legs swathed in rags or straw to hide them from the gaze of the world. He bought a new table the other day, and was asked by the salesman if the legs were to be wrapped up permanently. In a restaurant, where he ordered chicken, he was served with the legs carefully done up in a napkin The favorite chair in which he sits on the veranda of his house was found the other morning with its legs carefully covered by burlap. His pet dog came home last week with its legs incased in four limbed cotton pantaloons of marvelous construction An enormous tin rooster, which surmounts the weather vane on his barn, had its legs bandaged with paper on a recent dark night.

Meanwhile the Senator has been made the unhappy recipient of numerous suggestive presents from unknown donors. Canes and umbrellas, with fac similes of shapely nether limbs for handles; watch charms of similar designs, paper weights fashioned after the same parts of the human anatomy, and photographs, chromos and lithographs of stage beauties have literally rained down on his desk, until the Senator, according to a veracious chronicler of Northwestern events, begins to wish that the human race and the animal creation had some other means of locomotion than legs, and that legs had never existed. As for his own legs, Senator McHale is presumably using those to kick himself.

What Energy Did.

V. H. Parke & Son started the *lime* business last year. They had a *big* trade. Why? They carried a large and well selected stock, and sold at a fair price. They carry lime, hair, cement, all kinds, and everything trade demands at wholesale and retail If you want anything call on them, and you can get it fresh and good. 621 N. Main St., on Wabash R. R. mar26-w6mo

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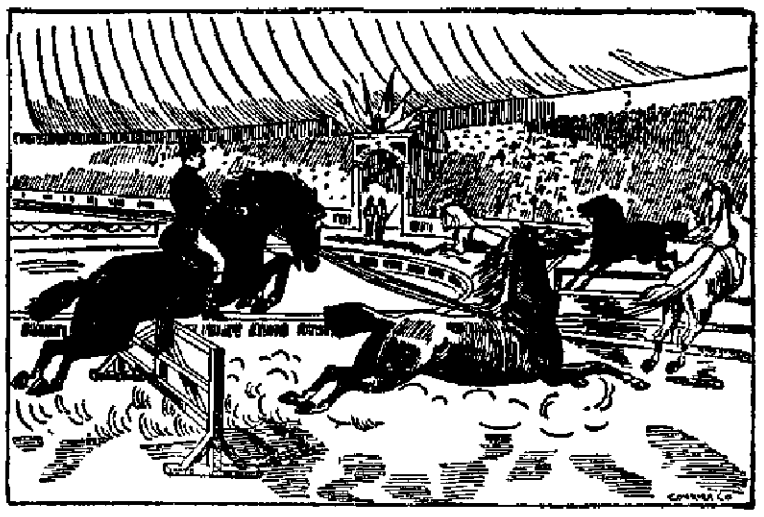

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Reserved numbered chairs on the grand stand extra For the accommodation of all who desire to avoid the crowds at the show ground reserved numbered seats (at regular prices) and admission tickets at usual slight advance can be obtained at the OPERA HOUSE PHARMACY on the day of exhibition. Two performances every week day at 2 and 8 p. m. Pavilions open at 1 and 7.

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The President at the Capital of Colorado.

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Pronounced by Mr. Harrison the Best-Arranged Affair of Any that He Had Received on His Trip—The President's Speech.

DENVER, Col., May 13.—The president's party were greeted here by an enthusiastic crowd, and after the president had reviewed the G. A. R. and the Colorado pioneers, they were banqueted at the Metropole hotel.

At the reception at Mrs. Gov. Routt's residence, Mrs. Harrison was presented with a handsome bouquet of Colorado wild flowers.

After leaving the Grant smelter the party were driven all over the suburbs of Denver and past the West Denver public school, where 1,000 children were drawn up in line. Returning, the party were driven to the depot, where a large crowd was waiting to see them off. Promptly at 6 o'clock the train pulled out over the Burlington road amid cheering, waving of handkerchiefs and cries of "Good bye."

The president said that his reception in Denver was the best arranged affair of any that he had received and everything went off smoothly without a bit of friction or confusion of any kind.

The president's speech here this morning was as follows:

GOV. ROUTT, MR. MAYOR, PIONEERS OF COLORADO, COMRADES OF THE GRAND ARMY [Cheers] AND FELLOW-CITIZENS This scene is inspiring. This beautiful city, the fame of which your journeying citizens have not failed to carry to the far east [laughter and cheers], had become known to me, as we can know by the hearing of the ear, and I am rejoiced to add to my pleasant impressions of Colorado, and of its commercial and political capital this sight of the eye which has but deepened and enlarged the favorable impressions which I brought to your state. Your state is blessed in the diversity of its resources. You do not depend upon any one of the great industries of civilized life. You have taken from your mines immense stores of the precious metals, but when these are gone or their supply is diminished you will turn your eyes towards those metals that we call base but that after all enter in so many ways into human life that they supply more enduring and in the end more profitable industries

Your iron, coal, lead and building stone will be sources of income inexhaustible. [Cheers.] I am glad to know that you have not been so delving in the earth, that you have not so fixed your minds to the metals as to have forgotten that there is a blue sky above you, that there are aspirations and hopes and glories that are greater than all material. [Cheers.] You have not failed to make sure that the blessed children of your households that are now coming on are made secure in the possession of a well-ordered and well endowed common school system. [Cheers.] It has been a most happy sight to see the same old banner that we bore into the smoke of battle and carried over dying comrades now in the hands of the school children of Colorado. [Cheers.]

But my fellow citizens, this assemblage is too vast and the demand made upon my time for public speech has been too protracted to enable me to pursue these remarks further. Comrades of the Grand Army of Republic, survivors of the great war whose successes preserved all that our fathers had devised and established with success, brought back this flag of honor and established it again the undisputed emblem of an indissoluble union. [Cheers.] God has bountifully lengthened out your days that you might catch some glimpse of the glory that has come from the achievements in which you took an honorable part. But only the vision of the prophet, reaching out over centuries to come, can catch the full glory of what your deeds have wrought. I give you to-day a most affectionate greeting and a regretful good-bye. [Cries of "God bless you."] May you hold in the community where you live that respect and honor to which you are entitled. Let no Grand Army man ever dishonor in civil live the noble record he made in the war. [Cheers.] May every blessing follow you, and if it shall not be in God's dispensation to make you rich at last, comrades, you shall die with the glorious thought of having contributed to the greatest work that man ever wrought for humanity and for God.

Citizens of Denver I cannot close without expressing the great satisfaction and surprise with which I have witnessed this morning, the magnificent development of your city. These streets, these towering, substantial and stately buildings in which your commerce is transacted place you in your enterprise and in the beauty of your streets among the greatest cities of the land.

I thank you very sincerely for a demonstration which I cannot accept as personal. All this is too great for any man. I accept this as evidence that in all essential things we are one people. We divide and strive and debate; but in this we are patriotic American citizens having a love for America and the flag that brings us all at last to submit our opinions to the lawfully expressed wish of the majority. [Cheers]. And now again good bye, I shall leave behind me every good wish for your prosperity individually and as a municipality and as a state. (Prolonged cheers).

GEO. W. CHILDS.

His Sixty-Third Birthday Celebrated by the Types of Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—The 63d birthday of George W. Childs was celebrated by the Typographical union of Philadelphia by a banquet yesterday. An innovation was introduced by having the wives and sweethearts of the printers at the dinner. Among the letters read was the following from Secretary Blaine:

You are among the very few—among the precious class of men who with great success have developed liberality, charity and justice. Unhappily great success in the world is too often accompanied by a growing selfishness, a growing disregard for the wants and suffering of others. Your deserved eulogy, my dear Mr. Childs, is that your life has been passed even more in making others happy than in promoting your own fortunes by the most honorable means. Greater eulogy than this hath no man. The influence which hardens the hearts of many has constantly widened your own benevolence, exalted your own life.

Believe me, with profound appreciation of your character, very sincerely your friend,

JAMES G. BLAINE.

Cablegrams were received by Mr. Childs throughout the day from England, France, Germany, and telegrams from all parts of the union. Many floral tributes were sent to his office by printers and other friends during the day.

Must Get Out the Vote.

Very little has been said thus far in reference to the approaching judicial election in this (the fourth) circuit. Neither side is making much of a stir, although the contest will occur only three weeks from to-day, Monday, June 1st. It is well enough to look at the figures a little. On the vote for state treasurer in the nine counties in 1890, the result was as follows:

REPUBLICAN PLURALITIES.

Champaign	738
Douglas	237
Vermilion	1168
Piatt	198
	2341

DEMOCARATIC PLURALITIES.

Clark	463
Edgar	239
Macon	178
Moultrie	610
Coles	52
	1546
Republican majority	775

This majority, as Mercutio said of his wound, is not as large as a barn door, but will do. In 1888, for President, Benjamin Harrison received 2900. There is no doubt but that every Republican nominee will be elected, but it will stand the party organization in hand to make special efforts to get out the vote. June is not a good time of the year to hold an election of such importance, but the date is fixed by law. The Democrats have but one candidate. He is very lonely in the contest, and as he is located in an obscure part of the circuit, it is doubtful if he will be heard of even in his own party. Generally the Democrats in the circuit desired to have three candidates nominated at the wonderful convention held in Decatur April 27th, but they were laid out by the mugwump fusionists, and now the Democrats in Moultrie, Macon, Piatt, Edgar and Coles counties are running wild. Many of them openly avow that they will vote as they please, and scores have said that they will vote the Republican ticket. They want a straight ticket, they say, and they can find it only in the Republican party. Get out the vote.

AN INFANT PRODIGY.

A Five-Year-Old Boy, at Taylorville, Endowed with a Wonderful Memory.

An infant prodigy has been discovered at Taylorville. It is the 5-year-old son of Mr. W. H. Kaup, a local merchant. The child has never learned his letters and yet can read any book given to him and pronounces all the words correctly. He has read the History of Greece and clearly remembers every incident connected therewith. This wonderful memory applies with equal force to current news in the paper's and political affairs. He is well and strong physically, and seems to be simply gifted in the direction cited. His parents are good, ordinary people. The peculiar faculty possessed by the child extends to music, which he reads and sings at sight. At the store he talks politics with the loafers and gets the best of gray-headed men in statements of fact. He plays with the energy of the ordinary "kid," but will leave everything else to enter into a debate. His father has been offered $200 a week to exhibit him in a dime museum, but declined to consider it. He has read Harrison's speeches on his western tour, and says he ought to be renominated next year. The peculiar faculty possessed by the child was discovered two years ago when he correctly read the names on the signs on business houses in the town.

County Convention.

The annual convention of the Macon county W. C. T. U. will be held in the Methodist church at Blue Mound May 15 to 17 inclusive. The active representatives are Miss Margaret E. Crissey, Decatur, district president; Mrs. Emma Lewis, Macon, county president; Mrs. Olive R. Holt, Decatur, county secretary, and Mrs. Annie Persinger, Maroa, county treasurer. A number of interesting topics are to be discussed at the meeting, led by Mrs. F. C. Hathaway, of Normal, Rev. W. L. Bankson, Rev. Turner, Miss Helen Walker, of Barry, Mrs. M. E. Ubrich, Mrs. L. Holmes McIntosh, Mrs. T. J. Crowder, Mrs. S. C. Crowell, Mrs. L. O. Shea, Mrs. Dr. Naomi Pierce Collins, Mrs. C. M. Ritchie, Miss Sallie McCall, Mrs. L. M. Brown, Miss Mary T. Owen, of Bloomington, Dr. Foster and Mrs. Josephine Crawford.

Disappeared.

Major E. A. Routhe, well known in Decatur, who has been a prominent citizen of Spokane Falls, Washington, and who at one time was possessed of a fine residence, handsomely furnished, and an office on the same style, has recently met reverses through speculation in real estate and lost all his property, has fled from that place and his whereabouts is said not to be known. The Major at one time was connected with the adjutant general's office at Springfield, and was a figure in social circles.

Letter List.

Advertised letters remaining in the Postoffice May 12, 1891.

Anderson, Lawrence M.	Bartsch, Arthur
Biddle, M. E.	Bouse, John Louis
Brown, Rosie	Canmann, Albert
Clark, Sarah	Clair, Harry
Elder, Laura	Fletcher, Mary
Gore, Harry	Gould, W. J.
Hardy, Marp	Harper, Julia
Jones, G. T.	Langley, W. J.
McDonald, James	Marker, Will H.
Moore, Luella	Reed, Marie
Smith, Harvey	Solomon, Lula
Stevens, Malinda	Walker, Lucy
Wilton, Isaac	Young, Mrs.

J. T. HUBBARD, P. M.

W. B. HUNTER, the Mt. Zion supervisor, who sat as a judge of his own election, and whose election is now seriously questioned, but who, in face of all this, has the monumental gall to fight off, with all the power and legal technicalities he can command, an inquiry into the correctness of his election, will probably discover some day that he will in future not be allowed to sit as a judge of his own election, were he a candidate for a bench leg dog pelter. When the mighty fall they come down "ker chug."

SPLENDID WHEAT PROSPECT

Reports Made to the State Board of Agriculture.

In the Central Portion of the State Particularly the Outlook was Never Better for Big Crops.

Springfield Journal, May 12th.

Notwithstanding the fears expressed during the winter as to the amount of damage done by the Hessian fly, the winter and spring have been so favorable to the growth of wheat that the May 1 condition is far above the average. The condition at this date, of no year since 1880, has been so promising for a large yield as at this time, when the average condition for the state is six points above the normal. This, taken in conjunction with the fact that the large area seeded last fall, 1,834,378 acres, has not been materially reduced by injury of any kind, either by winter-killing, floods or Hessian fly, is good ground for encouragement to the farmer of a splendid crop this season. The area claimed by correspondents to be destroyed by any of the causes mentioned above, is but 3 per cent. of the entire area, a proportion so small that it was not thought necessary to take it into account in giving the area which will be harvested.

The condition in the northern division of the state is not quite so promising as in the central and southern divisions, being but three points above an average; but that has been exceeded but once in the ten previous years, in 1882, when the May condition was 105.

In both the central and southern divisions of the state the present condition is 108, a point which has not been reached before at this date for over a decade.

But few complaints of any kind as to wheat have reached this office, but in Scott county it is claimed that the lower blades on some of the wheat on stubble ground are turning yellow, but it is not yet determined whether this is caused by insects or dry weather.

Pope and Clinton counties report the same trouble. Fly is working to a limited extent on grain in Monroe, Moultrie, Bond, Pike, Tazewell and Fulton counties. The oats louse is at work on wheat in Monroe and White counties. Bond and Livingston report some chinch bug, but neither these, the oat louse nor the Hessian fly are doing much damage. The most serious danger so far is that the growth is so rank that lodging is imminent, and in the counties of White and Bond wheat has already begun to lodge. In Mason county farmers are pasturing their wheat, it is growing so rank. In Massac wheat is beginning to head.

OLD WHEAT.

With the exception of 1885 the wheat crop of 1890 was the smallest produced in Illinois for the past eleven years; the crop of 1890 amounted to but 13,608,504 bushels, and of this amount but 12 per cent, or 1,580,903 bushels, remained in the producers' hands May 1, 1891.

There was not enough wheat raised in Illinois in 1890 for seed and consumption by 2,002 400.

Europe and South America

There is no doubt now that Great Britain and probably some other European powers have lent a hand in intensifying the revolution now in progress in Chili, and are also at the bottom of the impending outbreaks among the nations of South America.

Great Britain, however, has especially shown an active sympathy with the insurgents in the Chilian conflict, which is readily accounted for. The United States and England are competing nations for advantages in foreign markets, each nation doing all in its power to get advantages over the other. After the reciprocity provision of the McKinley bill became a law, and Brazil made a move to enter into a trade agreement with this country, the emissaries of Great Britain were found on the ground doing all they could to cause these negotiations to be broken off, and England is pursuing the same policy as to other South American States. She knows full well that we can secure no permanent and safe footing for trade with these nations, so long as they can be kept in a belligerent attitude toward each other.

Mr. Blaine saw the danger to anything bordering on satisfactory trade relations with these countries, and his first suggestion for the Pan-American Congress embraced only an effort to agree upon some plan, between the nations of the American hemisphere, by which future wars might be averted. His object was to follow such an agreement with reciprocity treaties with these countries.

On this point he has been very clear in his State papers, stating that without an agreement to prevent future wars on this hemisphere, it would be utterly useless to attempt to interest capital in the exchange of noncompeting products to the advantage of this country. But reciprocity has been attempted before the permanent peace problem has been solved, and England fully awake to these points, seeks now to keep up such internal strife in South America as will render any trade agreement with this country barren, and in this way retain the advantages she now has in trade with these nations.

This condition of things makes it incumbent on the United States to interfere in behalf of peace in Chili, and our government should notify Europe that its hands must be taken off the Republics of this continent. The doctrine, "Americans can settle the troubles of America" should promptly be announced and as promptly enforced.

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ALL ABOUT LIONS.

The Kings of the Forest and Their Teacher, Daniel Boone.

Col. Edgar Daniel Boone is the name of the man who is at present astonishing the people of this country by his performance with five full grown ferocious lions, all liberated and given the entire freedom of the circus arena.

These savage brutes, under the Colonel's guidance are made to do about every act that dogs, horses and ponies have been instructed to perform, and even more, for these lions in addition to dancing, posturing, leaping, racing in harness, etc., actually ride tricycles, a feat no horse has yet been able to accomplish.

The Colonel is a Kentuckian by birth and is a direct descendant of Kentucky's famous pioneer—Daniel Boone.

The arena in which the lions are liberated is surrounded by a tall and closely barred steel fence. This insures perfect safety to the audience—whatever may be the fate of the lion performers.

Col. Boone is accompanied in his exhibition of these liberated lions by Miss Carlotta and a large German hunting hound, who frolics with the lions while the lion-tamer looks on and subsequently participates in the display which the lions make of their jumping, racing, posturing, dancing, and driving accomplishments.

Eight pounds of lean meat constitute the daily rations of each of these trained lions.

Colonel Boone was formerly an ivory hunter in Africa. He captured the lions he now exhibits in the interior of that country.

He has traveled with his lions all over the world and met with many thrilling scenes.

The only way in which lions can be trusted to perform outside a cage is by educating the brutes. They possess but little brains, and it required many months of patient effort to make these pitiless monsters comprehend what they must do.

The lion above all things else hates to be mastered, and if he is urged to perform a difficult act rebels at once and turns upon his trainer.

Col. Boone says the popular idea that a lion can be kept in subjection by the mere power of the human eye is all nonsense.

He says there is nothing of the sneak about the lion, if he means to attack you he gives you fair notice.

He never cuts his lions' claws, because he says it would make them more savage.

Col. Boone has appeared with his lions in all the leading cities of Europe—150 exhibitions were given at Paris, 200 in London—to immense audiences always.

The management of the Adam Forepaugh shows pay Boone $1000 a week for his services, and he appears at every exhibition introducing all his lions. The great show will exhibit at Decatur Monday, May 25.

CHICAGO *Journal:* Col. Ingersoll, having ransacked heaven and hades, and having crossed swords with Moses and Mr Gladstone, has returned to earth in company with William Shakespeare. Wherever the Colonel has wandered he has kept step with the most distinguished company. Having explored the regions which have hitherto been regarded as the special preserves of Dante, Milton and Mephistopheles, he comes back for rest and spiritual comfort to Stratford-on-Avon and its twin-sister, Chicago. The people *of this city will show at the Auditorium to night how they can do their* part to prop the colossus of modern orators.

MR. WM WESTLAKE, a prominent farmer and breeder of thoroughbred horses, living near Avoca, Neb., was so badly injured by being thrown from his sulky, as to be unable to raise his hand to his head. After using numerous liniments and consulting several physicians without getting any relief, he asked me if I knew of anything that would help him. I recommended Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which he used, and within two weeks he had entirely recovered the use of his arm. I consider Chamberlain's Pain Balm the greatest preparation ever produced for sprains, bruises, deep-seated and muscular pains, burns and scalds—J. J LA GRANGE, Druggist, Avoca, Neb. 50-cent bottles for sale at Neisler's Pharmacy.

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F. W BOOKWALTER,
of Vermilion County.

A Suggestion of Importance.

A method of punishment for unruly boys practiced at the Newark, N. J. Orphan Asylum which might be made useful by mothers who have young rascals has come to light through one Paul Petit, who ran away from the Newark Orphan Asylum, and who was recaptured, but before his return, let out an asylum secret. When asked why he ran away he said:

"I ran away 'cause they put me in a bag."

He could not give any clear explanation and inquiry was made at the asylum.

"Yes," the reporter was informed, "we punish unruly boys by putting them into a bag. We tie them up in it, leaving the head outside. That is the only form of punishment we use, and the managers approve it as being less cruel and more effective than corporeal punishment."

The kindly mode of correction has its ludicrous suggestions and its adoption had accordingly been kept quiet.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
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When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Commercial Teachers Meet.

About twenty-five of the teachers of Brown's Business Colleges, located at Peoria, Decatur, Jacksonville and Galesburg are in session to-day at the Peoria College rooms. Among those present from out of the city are President G. W. Brown, Prin., J. H. Bryant, Mrs. L. A. Davis, Miss M. C. Askew and Messrs. I. N. Wright and Frank Keech, of Jacksonville; Principal E. P. Irving, Miss Minnie Van Horn and G. W. Brown, Jr., of Decatur; Principal O. C. Gilland, C. A. Faust, Mrs. M. E. Faust, Mr. West and Misses Aldrich, Babcock and Norris, of Galesburg; Principal G. E. Nettleton, Miss J. R. Yates and Messrs. Harris and Garver, of the Peoria school, also being present. Papers were read by Mrs. Davis, Principal Irving, Miss Askew and Mr. Garver, each of which was followed by an animated discussion. These papers and discussions covering the various phases of business college work, an important feature of which has become to be stenography. It was a purely teacher's meeting, called for the purpose of discussing methods and means of improving the schools. Most of the teachers were entertained for lunch by President Brown at Frederich's Hotel.—*Peoria Journal, May 9.*

Deserted by Her Husband.

Mrs. Ann Mariner, a woman 40 years of age, and the mother of two grown children, testified in court at Springfield that she married Richard Mariner in Decatur, Ill., on July 19, 1871, and that he deserted her in this city in February, 1882. She said she had been a resident of Springfield for three years past, and that she did not know the present whereabouts of her husband, or whether he was even living. She was granted a divorce on the ground of desertion, and the decree approved.

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White Dress Goods, all prices. 500 yds. Trimming Silk, 35c. Other goods in same proportion.

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Sewing Silk, 100 yards for 4c
Clark's Thread, 3 spools for 10c
Sewing Twist, 1 cent per spool; Sewing Needles, 3c per paper; Hairpins 3c per bunch; Dress Braid 2c per bunch; Lace Baby Caps, 15c; Clothes Brushes 9c, worth 20c; best Black Ink, 3c; Mucilage, 4c; Envelopes, 25 for 4c; Picture Frames, worth 50c, for 25c; Colored Chromos, worth 60c, 40c; 500 cakes of Soap, 4c each. A Thousand Articles must go.

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